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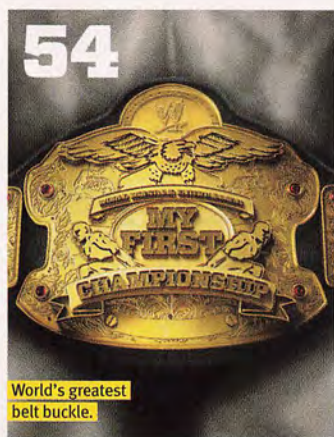


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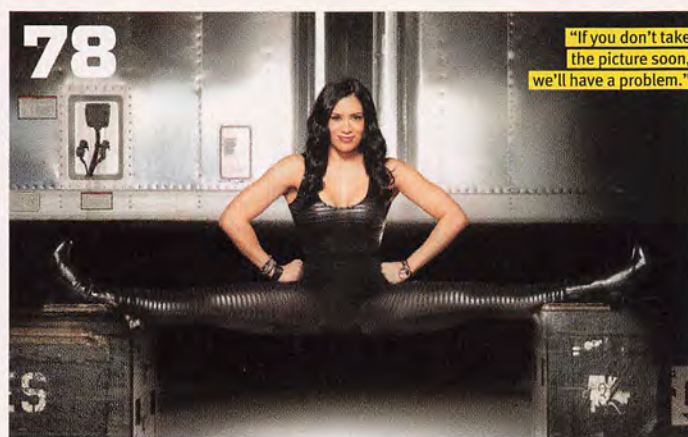
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SAVING GRACES

What got us through this issue.



1. Cookies and Fudge!

We all ate Hornswoggle's weight in holiday sweets. Despite being stuffed, we kept going, because tapping out is for the weak!

2. Extreme Silence!

Hearing the horrific sounds of "singing" emanate from the mouths of *WWE NXT* Rookies during the Karaoke Challenge nearly killed us. Thanks, mute button! We owe you one!

3. Back To The Future!

The entire trilogy just dropped on Blu-ray, and we got our first peek at the new *BTTF* video game. Next up...a *Teen Wolf* platformer? Hint, hint, THQ.

4. Kaval's Entrance Music!

The World Warrior's theme song sounds like the soundtrack to an intricately plotted international espionage flick. More please.

5. WWE TLC On Rewind!

And you thought they were just for eating off of, climbing up and sitting on! In our opinions, the highlight of December's *WWE TLC* was the "double sharp-shooter." Extremely Lay-Cool.

6. Feeding The Monster

Our new gaming obsession? *Cut The Rope*, a mobile app from the developer of *Angry Birds*. And at \$0.99, it's \$298 cheaper than a new PS3! Right in our budget!



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BONUS!

The Game uncensored! You won't believe what he has to say about HBK, on P.46.

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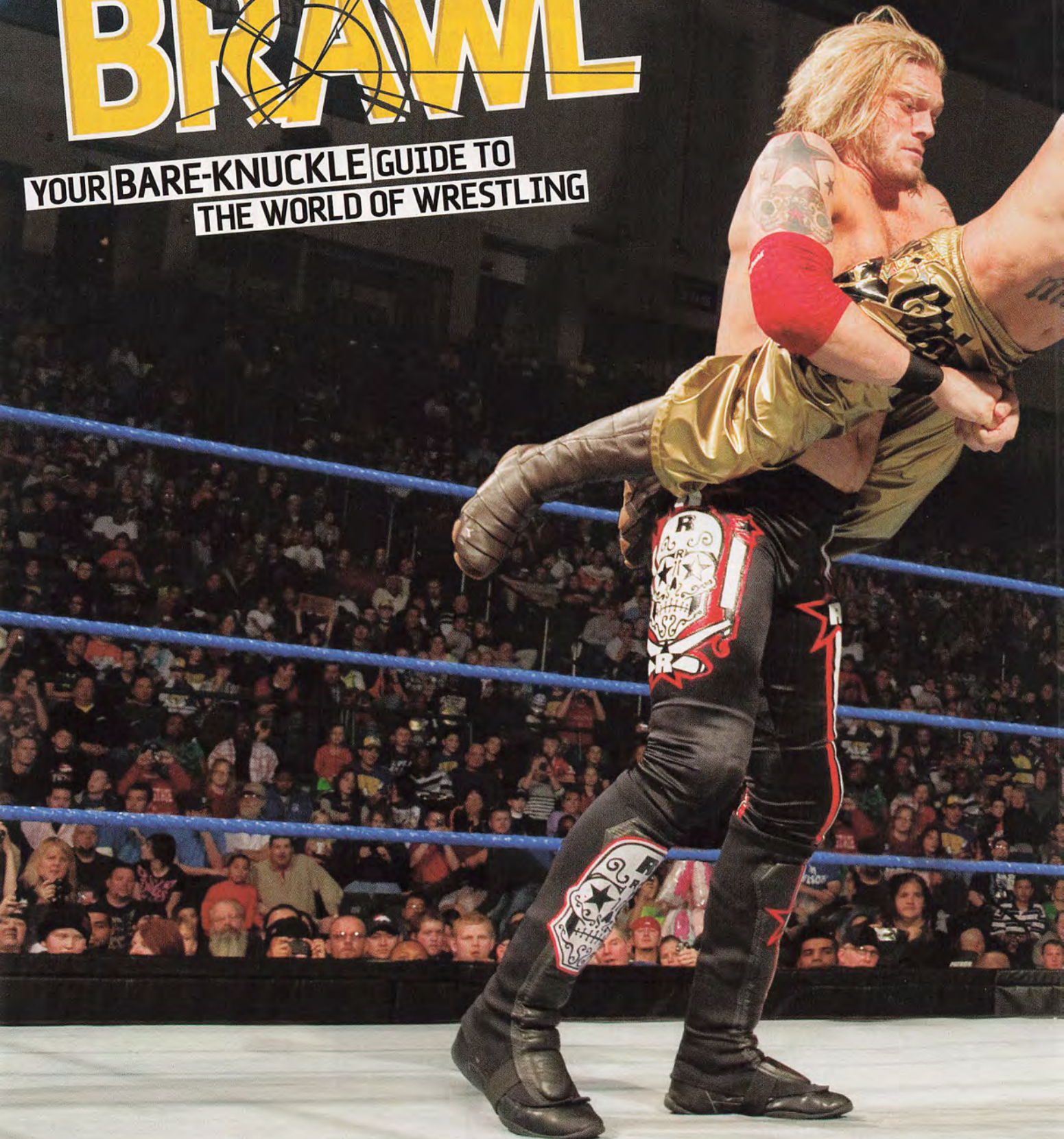
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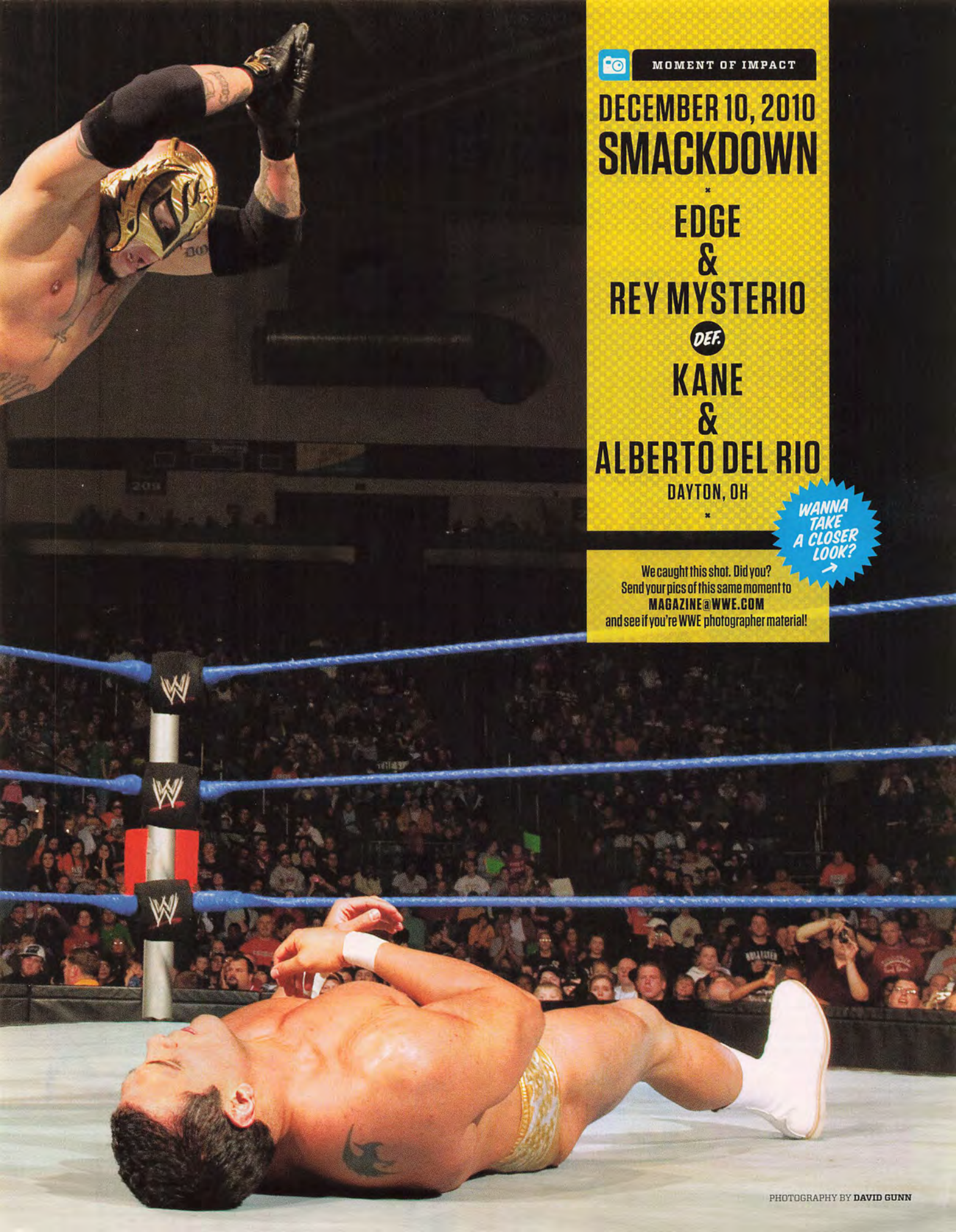
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KANE
&
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DAYTON, OH

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By The Numbers

Nine days before *WWE TLC*, four Superstars split into two tag teams and hashed out their issues in one amazing bout. We were there to tally up the carnage.

FACT!
WWE TLC marks Alberto Del Rio's first WWE PPV main event, which came only 121 days after his in-ring debut.



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TATTOOS INKED IN A 24-HOUR PERIOD BY WORLD RECORD HOLDER HOLLIS CANTRELL.

The quick-working needle jockey set the mark on November 16, 2008, by inscribing "AZ," the initials of his home state, as well as the home of *WrestleMania XXVI*, on his lined-up patrons.



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WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT TITLES HELD BY EDGE

Following his victory against Kane, Alberto Del Rio and Rey Mysterio at *WWE TLC*, Edge passed Triple H for most WHC wins in WWE history. We track his path to the record.



May 8, 2007

Edge wins by cashing in his second MITB chance against Undertaker on *SmackDown*.



December 16, 2007

Edge gets an assist from his cronies at *Armageddon*, where he defeats Undertaker and Batista.



June 1, 2008

Edge wins his third World Heavyweight Title by besting "Taker at *One Night Stand*.



February 15, 2008

At *No Way Out*, Edge assaults Kofi Kingston and takes his place in the Elimination Chamber to win.



April 26, 2009

Edge beats Cena in a Last Man Standing Match at *Backlash*.



December 19, 2010

Defeating Kane, Rey Mysterio and Alberto Del Rio at *WWE TLC*, Edge shows why he's the TLC king.



PERCENTAGE OF PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MATCH WHO ARE WWE TRIPLE CROWN CHAMPIONS.

Kane completed the crown first with his Intercontinental Title win in 2001, followed by Edge in '06 and Rey in '09. As of *WWE TLC*, Del Rio had yet to capture the Tag, Intercontinental, or World Championship, which are all required to join this exclusive club.



WEEKS OF PROMOS

endured by fans before Del Rio made his debut on the 8/20/10 edition of *SmackDown*. He nearly made the WWE Universe tap out without competing in a single match!

"WHEN YOU'RE IN THE RING WITH GUYS LIKE MYSTERIO AND EDGE, YOU HAVE TO BRING YOUR BEST TO RISE TO THEIR LEVEL. I ADMIRE THEM, BUT I ALSO WANT TO BE BETTER THAN THEM." —ALBERTO DEL RIO



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VITALS



Name
Tara H.
Age 22
Occupation
Student
Status Single
Hometown
El Segundo, CA

✦ You're a Superfan why?

"I've enjoyed wrestling since I was young. My dad and I can't wait until this year's *WrestleMania*!" Sure, but are you truly worthy of The Show of Shows? Prove it...right now!

1. Who's wrestled in the most *WrestleMania* matches?

"The undefeated Undertaker."



2. Who is the only wrestler to win and lose a World title at the same *WrestleMania*?

"Stone Cold Steve Austin."
(Nope. Yokozuna.)



3. What's Mr. McMahon's *WrestleMania* record?

"0-5. Horrible!"



4. Which *WrestleMania* did not actually feature a World Championship match?

"That would be the first one!"



5. How many venues hosted *WrestleMania 2*?

"A total of three."



6. True or False? Roddy Piper's *WrestleMania III* match was his final bout.

"True." (False.)



7. At which *WrestleMania* did The Great One first use the phrase, "If you smell what The Rock is cooking"?

"Number 17." (*WrestleMania XIV*.)



8. Who vied for the U.S. Title at *WrestleMania XX*?

"John Cena and Big Show."



9. How long did Kane's ECW Title Match at *WrestleMania XXIV* last?

"Eight seconds!"



10. Which *WrestleMania* debuted the Money In The Bank Ladder Match?

"*WrestleMania 21*."



7 OUT OF 10!

"I'll take seven stars! Did I just score tickets to *WrestleMania XXVII*?" Far from it, but your dad can feel free to tell all his buddies at work that he's the proud father of a...

SUPERFAN!



HEY FEMALE READERS! Are you sexier or more WWE-savvy than Tara? Send a snapshot of yourself to MAGAZINE@WWE.COM. See P77 for details.

Superstar Flashback



⌚ Stopping at five-year intervals, Natalya takes us back through her 20-year love affair with WWE.

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5 YEARS AGO...2006



"I was training, not only in The Dungeon, but also with Tokyo Joe, because I wanted to get to Japan. Tokyo Joe is one of the most prestigious trainers in the world. He trained Bret, my dad, Jim Neidhart, and Davey Boy Smith, but he'd never trained a woman before and was reluctant to work with me. It reminded me of *Million Dollar Baby*. He was against training me, but did it as a favor to Bret."



10 YEARS AGO...2001

←



"In 2001, I hadn't started wrestling yet. I was hosting a wrestling show called *MatRats*, which was produced by Eric Bischoff. Joey Styles was an announcer on it, too! I was modeling and doing some acting up in Calgary, but my uncles wanted me to learn how to wrestle, just for fun, and I was hooked. This was the year I realized I wanted to shift away from acting and get into the family business."



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15 YEARS AGO...1996



"I was 14, and my cousins and I, including Tyson and David, had our own wrestling promotion, the Kids Wrestling Association. We ran it out of my grandfather's yard, using his ring. It was also the year that my cousin Matthew died due to complications from a staph infection. That was a defining moment for us. Tyson, David and I vowed that we'd honor Matt and fight for our dreams."



20 YEARS AGO...1991

←



"We lived in Florida, and there were so many wrestlers around us at that time. I remember going on Hulk Hogan's yacht, and seeing The Legion of Doom come over for Christmas parties. Mr. Perfect would drop by—there was always somebody hanging around the house. My sister and I had a big crush on The Rockers. I liked Shawn Michaels, and she liked Marty Jannetty."



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SMOOTH MOVES

MY FAVORITE FINISHER

Jack Swagger reveals the match-ending move he wishes he could add to his repertoire.

"THE CAMEL CLUTCH. THE IRON SHEIK STILL TALKS ABOUT IT AS THOUGH IT WAS THE MOST IMPRESSIVE MOVE OF HIS GENERATION: 'I BREAK HIS BACK AND MAKE HIM HUMBLE!' IT'S A BRUTAL HOLD—YOU COULD TELL IT WAS HORRIFICALLY PAINFUL FOR THOSE TRAPPED IN IT."



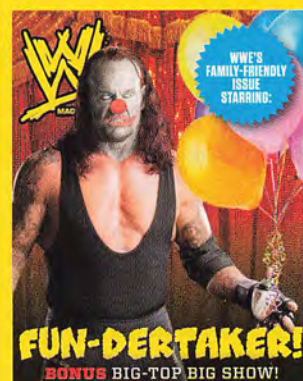
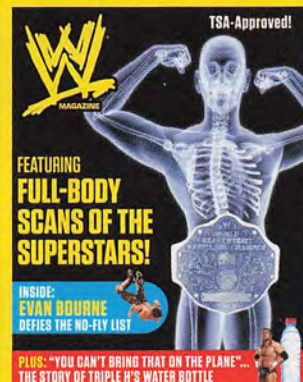
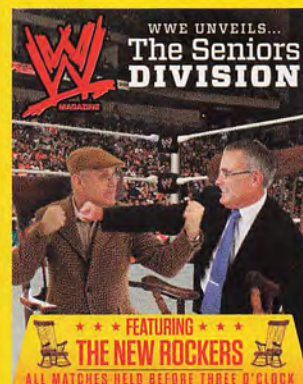
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MEET THE REJECTS



We sent four covers to Mr. McMahon for his approval. For reasons we can't fathom, these didn't make the cut.



"It's OK—
the Anonymous
Raw GM will
post my bail."

COLE
MICHAEL
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Jerk Of The Month



Every 30 days, we interrogate Superstars about their crimes against humanity. The accused: **Michael Cole**.

* The Charge TRESPASSING

During Jerry Lawler's bid for the WWE Title in his TLC Match against The Miz on the 11/29/10 edition of *Raw*, you interfered in the contest, knocking The King off a ladder and costing him the title. You have no business entering the ring during a match!

* The Defense

"This is, plain and simple, a crime of passion. I'm a fan of The Miz and consider him to be the future of WWE as we know it. To allow Lawler to win the WWE Championship would be an affront to The Miz and to every young Superstar eager to make a name for him- or herself in this company. And, I think, on any other day, Jerry would agree with me."

* The Charge COMPUTER FRAUD

Week in and week out on Monday nights, you've used e-mails from the anonymous *Raw* GM to wreak havoc on the lives and careers of Superstars. We have to wonder what kind of an agenda you're actually pursuing here.

* The Defense

"Ever heard the phrase, 'Don't shoot the messenger'? I'm simply relaying the directives given to me by the GM. Good news or bad news, it's my job to deliver it, and to do so impartially. Frankly, I think the GM has done a knockout job thus far."

* The Charge BREACH OF CONTRACT

During the 9/14/10 installment of *WWE NXT*, you suffered a complete meltdown, railing against the quality of the show and then storming off the set in a huff. It was a clear violation of your hiring agreement with World Wrestling Entertainment.

* The Defense

"*WWE NXT* was god awful—it was my journalistic duty to say so. I put myself on the line for something I believed in. That's called integrity. This rag should show more of it, rather than defame consummate professionals such as myself!"

VERDICT

BOOK HIM!

This slimy, sniveling spammer is indeed a jerk, and you can quote us on that.

GCW: The Pride Of Atlanta

The Big Peach, home to *WrestleMania XXVII*, was also the birthplace of Georgia Championship Wrestling, the larger-than-life promotion that gave rise to these future wrestling greats.



FACT!

GCW was purchased and absorbed by WWE on July 14, 1984.



1 Dusty Rhodes

The American Dream was a GCW mainstay, winning three World Championships for the promotion, including his 1979 victory against Harley Race for the World Heavyweight Championship, a title he held for five whole days!

2 Ric Flair

The Nature Boy was a jewel in the GCW crown, stylin' and profilin' in matches with the likes of Harley Race and Dusty Rhodes. If you want to get a sense of Flair's wild GCW days, search "Some Kinda Fine" on YouTube.

3 Jake Roberts

The inventor of the DDT first cut his teeth in his native state of Georgia, winning the NWA World Television Championship from Ronnie Garvin in 1983, and coming back a year later to win the title a second time.

4 The Road Warriors

Before they became The Legion of Doom in WWE, this tag duo was so fearsome, some GCW opponents would leave the arena before the match even started. Total dominance personified.

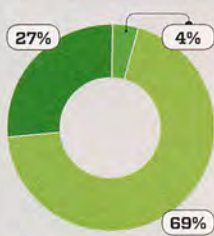


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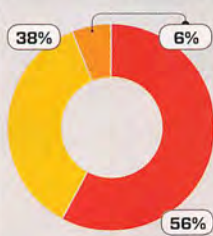
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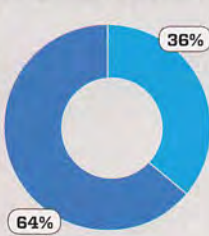
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MY FIRST DAY

Dolph Ziggler takes us through the first hours of his WWE career, from the alarm clock to the clang of the ring bell.



6:30 a.m.

"I woke up early because my mind was racing. I was wondering whom I'd be up against. Would I win the World Title on my first night like Big Show did? Hey, you never know."

8:15 a.m.

"After a quick shower and a healthy breakfast, I went straight to the gym. Knowing I was going to be on TV that night was better motivation than having a hot chick waiting for me. I was like, 'Let me do one more set!'"

12:35 p.m.

"Once I arrived at the arena, I got into gear and stood around waiting for instructions. You don't wanna give off a vibe that you're excited. You just hang back and stay cool."

5:20 p.m.

"When the food was laid out, I didn't eat. The food backstage is great, but I was so nervous that I didn't have an appetite. I think I knocked back a couple espressos."

9:00 p.m.

"Finally, after a long wait, the show started. When it was time for my match, I headed down the ramp. For 20 years, I had practiced what I'd do when I walked out, and then all that planning went out the window and I just did whatever felt right."

10:00 p.m.



Dolph Ziggler: 0-1.



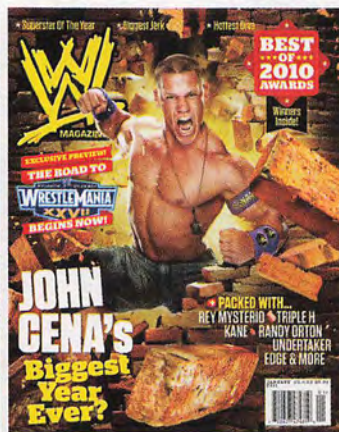
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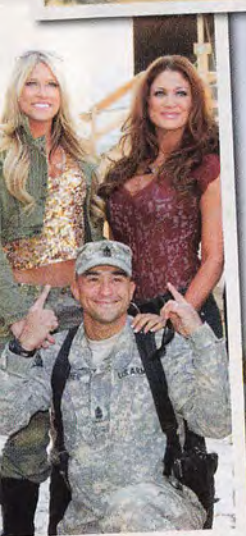


Tribute to the Troops: Exclusive Pics!

 Presenting a previously unreleased look at WWE's visit to Afghanistan.



✖ What you saw on TV was only the beginning. Although WWE's annual *Tribute to the Troops* emanated from Fort Hood in Texas, Big Show, Kelly Kelly and Eve still were able to make the long journey to the Middle East and spend the holidays with the men and women who are serving in Afghanistan. During their whirlwind tour, the Superstars were guided around Kandahar Airfield and taken to a few forward operating bases to meet with troops from all branches of the U.S. military. Our photographers on the ground managed to catch these candid shots, none of which have ever been seen...until now!





FACT!
The idea for *Tribute to the Troops* sprung from the mind of JBL.





Valentine's Day Rose Guide

Don't send the wrong message to the Diva in your life. Before you dial the florist, consult The Bellas' flower color chart first.

The Color Pink

The Meaning Think of pink as a low-wattage expression of love. Pink flowers traditionally mean admiration and sweetness, and can be doled out at the start of a relationship without fear of being misunderstood.
Perfect For Appearing romantic, but remaining totally noncommittal.

The Color White

The Meaning It's a symbol of innocence and purity as well as an expression of remembrance. Red and white roses together also symbolize unity.
Perfect For Weddings, specifically beautiful bridal bouquets. So, unless you've popped the question to your sweetheart, steer clear.

The Color Lavender

The Meaning This color denotes enchantment, or love at first sight. It's also often used to represent things that are mysterious and unattainable.
Perfect For Sending a subtle message of attraction on a first date, without pouring it on too thick. Shooting for a second date? Go lavender.

The Color Red

The Meaning Red roses mean "love." Deliver these to your chick's door and you're guaranteed to melt her heart. Or freak her out.
Perfect For Telling her she's "the one." But be careful: In some cultures, red flowers are considered a harbinger of death. Maybe that's why she wasn't returning your calls!

The Color Yellow

The Meaning Traditionally, yellow roses signify friendship and platonic love. If you really want to get fancy, send yellow roses with red tips, which generally symbolizes falling in love.
Perfect For Letting your best gal pal know that she's on your mind and you think she's perfect... for someone else.

The Color Black

The Meaning Most people associate black roses with the end of a relationship, but the actual meaning is renewal or rebirth. But she probably doesn't know that.
Perfect For You know that psycho ex you've been trying to get rid of forever? Here's your chance. Thank us on February 15th.



THE BUDDY SYSTEM

WWE'S BFFs

February is International Friendship Month, so we asked companionship expert **Dr. Irene S. Levine**, author of *Best Friends Forever: Surviving a Breakup With Your Best Friend*, to weigh in on WWE's closest pals.

★ The "Teacher & Student"

The Miz & Alex Riley

★ **The Relationship** Miz and Riley went from Rookie and Pro to in-ring buds, but Miz often uses Riley as his go-to scapegoat.

The Expert Says "Teachers and students can develop relationships. But if The Miz undermines his student—it could make Riley jealous."



★ The "Breakup"

David Hart Smith & Tyson Kidd

★ **The Relationship** These lifelong friends were like brothers, until Tyson betrayed David. Can he be forgiven?

The Expert Says "When you trust someone, it's easy to be caught off guard by betrayal. David is probably very angry right now. I would advise Tyson to apologize sooner than later."



★ The "Best Friends"

Michelle McCool & Layla

★ **The Relationship** Lay-Cool dress alike, talk alike and share Championships. But are they inseparable?

The Expert Says "Women tend to be emotionally close with their friends. But if they try to remain mirror images of one another for too long, the relationship could fall apart."





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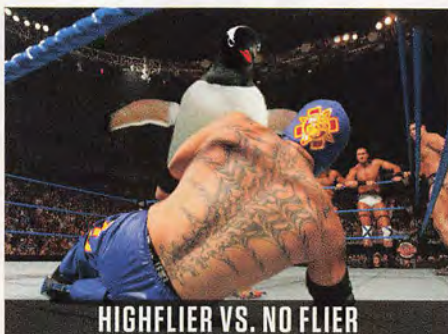
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Superstars vs... Penguins!

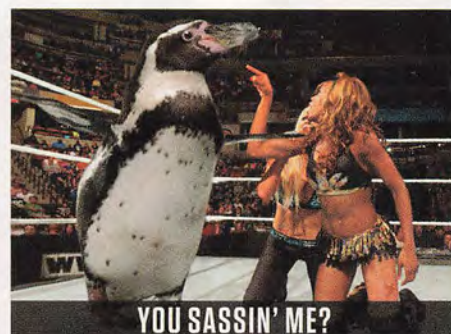
 Our grapplers face off against unexpected foes. This issue, they battle...frosty fowl!



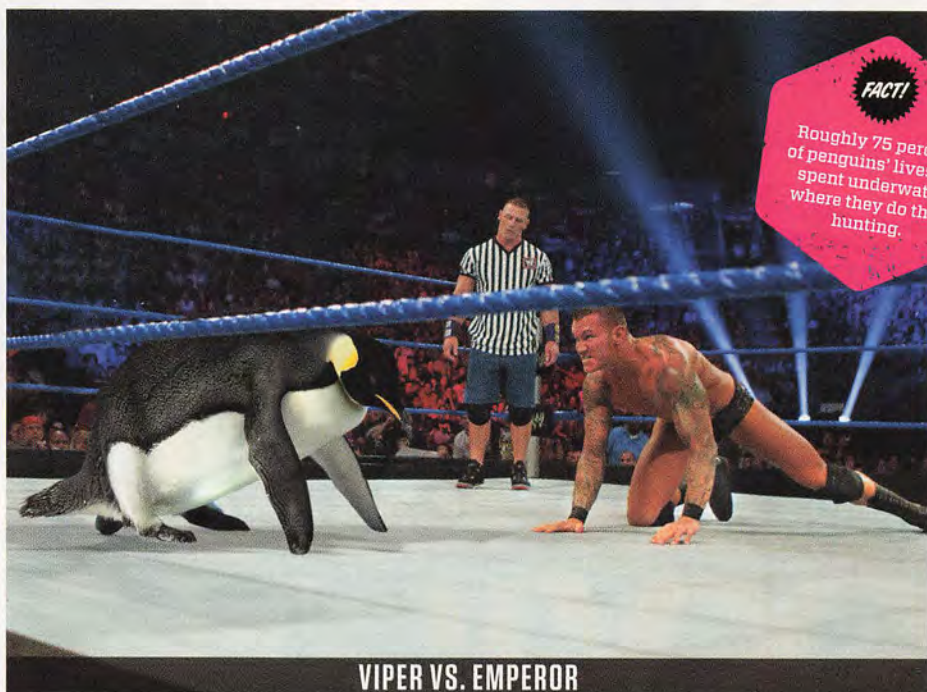
ONE OF US IS FIRED!



HIGHFLIER VS. NO FLIER



YOU SASSIN' ME?



VIPER VS. EMPEROR

FACT!

Roughly 75 percent of penguins' lives are spent underwater, where they do their hunting.



UNHAPPY FEET!

BIG MISTAKE

GAG REEL

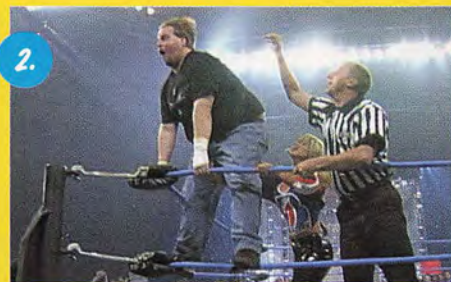
WWE Visual Historian **Ed Miguez** unearths this piece of forgotten footage.

AUGUST 16, 2000

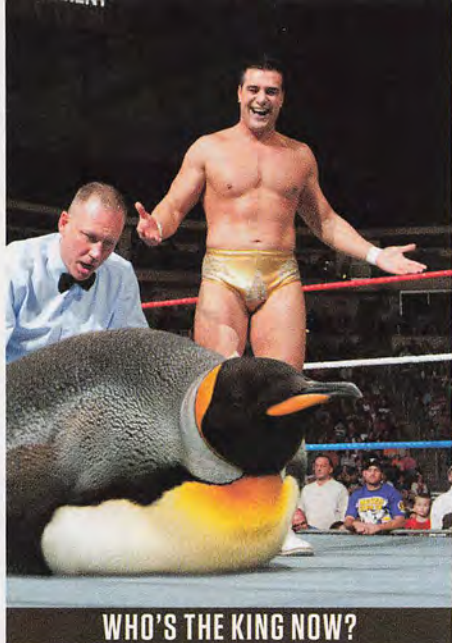
One of WCW's worst matches occurred during the 8/16/00 *Thunder*, pitting broadcasting legend "Mean" Gene Okerlund against the grotesque Mark Madden in a "Kamloops Street Fight." The bout mostly consisted of Okerlund trying to land punches while Madden constantly tugged down his all-too-revealing T-shirt. Okerlund ultimately rolled up Madden for the win after Pamela Paulshock nailed the latter with a low blow.



Madden mauls Okerlund, trying in vain to grab victory from the future WWE Hall of Famer.



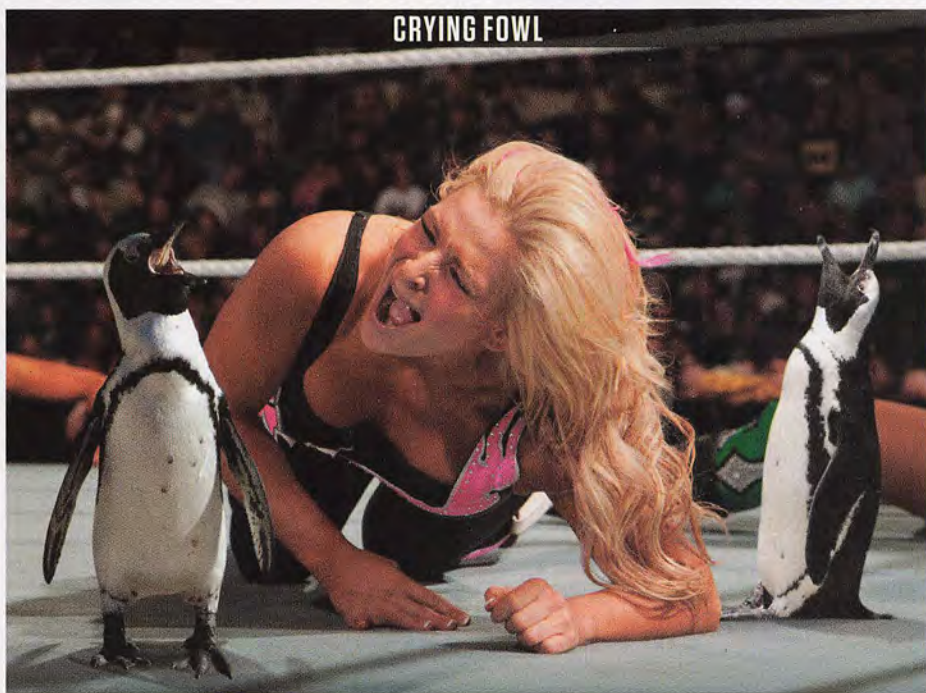
Pamela nails Madden with a low blow, a metaphor for what the match represents to the crowd.



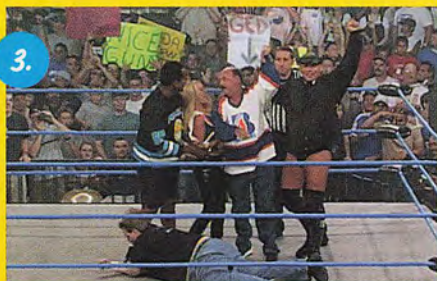
WHO'S THE KING NOW?



TUXEDO MATCH!



CRYING FOWL



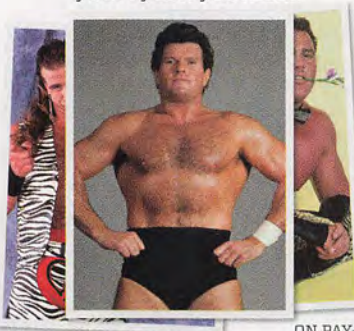
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Okerlund and friends rejoice in victory. Everyone else rejoices that this abomination is over.



YOUR MOM DUG THIS!

Back in the day, this is what passed as entertainment for our lady readers. Shield your eyes if you must!



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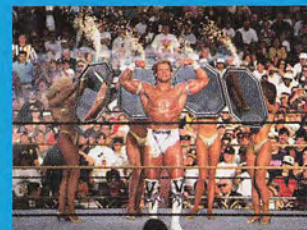
MIRROR MOMENTS

Cody Rhodes isn't the first Superstar to interact with reflective glass. Check it out!



Superstars of Wrestling, 10/31/92

As Shawn Michaels is preening in a mirror, a jilted Marty Jannetty sneaks up behind him. HBK spots Jannetty in the reflection and a brawl ensues, culminating in Sensational Sherri getting clocked by Shawn's looking glass.



WrestleMania IX, 4/4/93

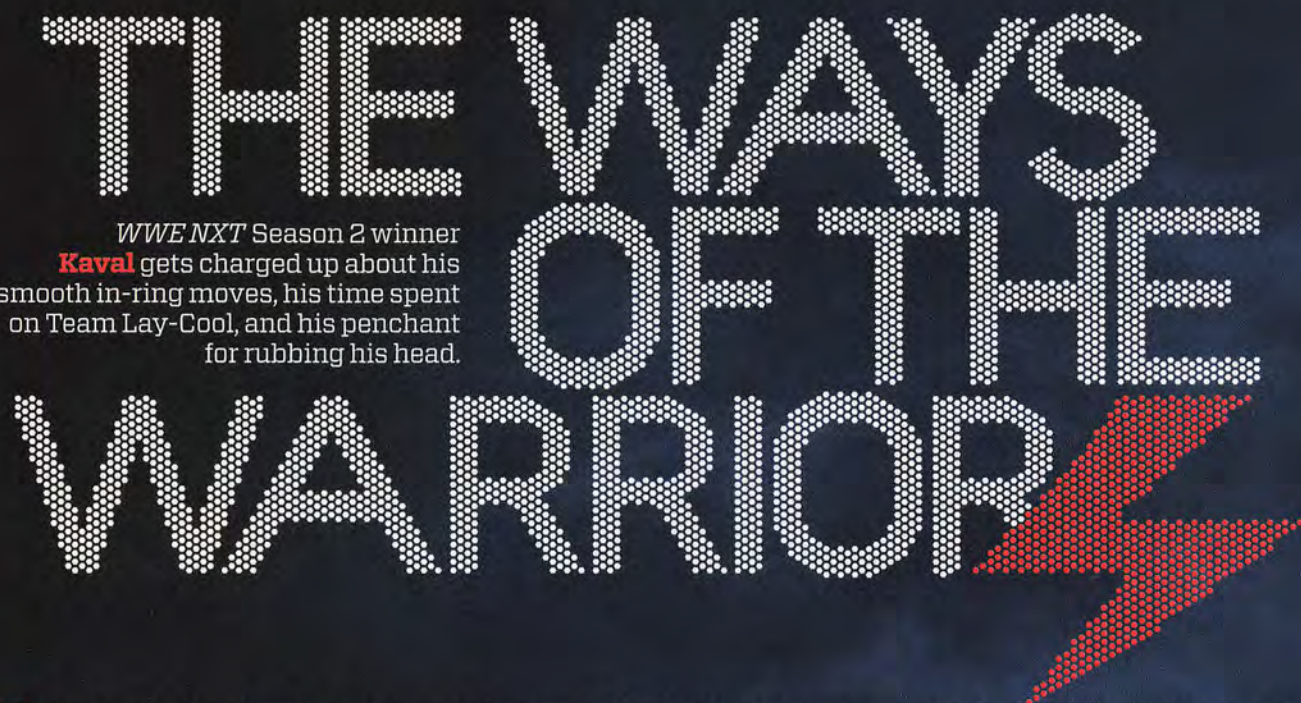
For *WrestleMania*'s first-ever outdoor event, Lex Luger is escorted to the ring in Las Vegas as a bevy of blond beauties holds up a series of mirrors, allowing The Narcissist (and the crowd) ample opportunity to bask in his unparalleled exquisiteness.



SmackDown, 1/24/02

Fed up with Ric Flair's mismanagement, Mr. McMahon resolves to systematically destroy WWE. In one segment, he spins around in a chair and, in a reflection, the letters "nWo" are clearly scrawled across the back of his seat.

THE WAYS OF THE WARRIOR



WWE NXT Season 2 winner **Kaval** gets charged up about his smooth in-ring moves, his time spent on Team Lay-Cool, and his penchant for rubbing his head.

Kaval, you've been described as a ring ninja, and in this photo you're likened to an anime character. What inspires your persona and skill set?
It's obvious that my style is more martial-arts based. I'm not what you would consider a traditional wrestler because I have such a varied arsenal. Aikido has had a huge influence on me. I first began training in 1997, around the same time I started preparing for this profession. The American style of wrestling is much more rigid. I'm far more fluid-based, with a lot of body control and body rhythm. So when I leap over the top rope during my ring entrance, for example, that's a demonstration of my Aikido discipline. It's actually a traditional roll, called *Ukemi Waza*.

So, we've got to know, what's with the dramatic head rub?

It's something different. It's based more on Eastern philosophy. Everyone rubs the Buddha for good luck. It's something I'm hoping the people will get behind. With the head rub, they can do that themselves. I try to come up with things to make people curious.

You're new to WWE, but you've wrestled in other promotions for nearly 13 years. Do you think achieving success now, instead of at age 19, when you began your career, has made all the difference?

Big time. If I had been a part of this company 10 years ago, I probably would have made so many mistakes that I'd never be allowed back. I think that's just the nature of my personality—I'm very passionate, and I know that I can be misunderstood sometimes. And, being young, you think you're invincible. I definitely believe that gaining real-world experience and developing as an individual in order to become a better performer has helped me adapt to this new environment.

When you walk to the ring and stand on the ropes, you form a "W" with your fingers. And yet at this point, you haven't won many matches. Should we be concerned about your win-loss record?

I don't think so. Everything is a learning process. If I don't learn from those mistakes, then shame on me. For every match I'm involved in, I become that much stronger and well-rounded. No one starts immediately at the top. It's the nature of what we do, because it is a competitive profession. Everyone assumes that "W" means "win" or "warrior." For me, it means "will." That's something that most people wouldn't even think of. The will to survive. The will to tolerate all of this to get to the next level. The will to sacrifice everything you've got to reach that level of success. People don't understand that unless they experience it firsthand.

We wouldn't want to experience the Warrior's Way firsthand. What makes it such a fearsome finisher?

I think it's the fear of the unknown. It's practically like two daggers going at your heart. So, naturally, anyone would be afraid of what they don't see coming, or don't understand. It's very practical for me. I'm not as strong or as big as most of the other Superstars in WWE. The only people I can relate to are Rey and Evan in terms of size. For me to try to outmuscle opponents or perform strength moves just isn't practical—but using myself as a weapon is. I like to think the technique itself is devastating enough to bring down just about anybody in the company.

What, if anything, did you learn from your WWE NXT Season 2 Pros, Michelle McCool and Layla?

Plenty. Before arriving here, my mentality was that I'm going to war every single time I step into

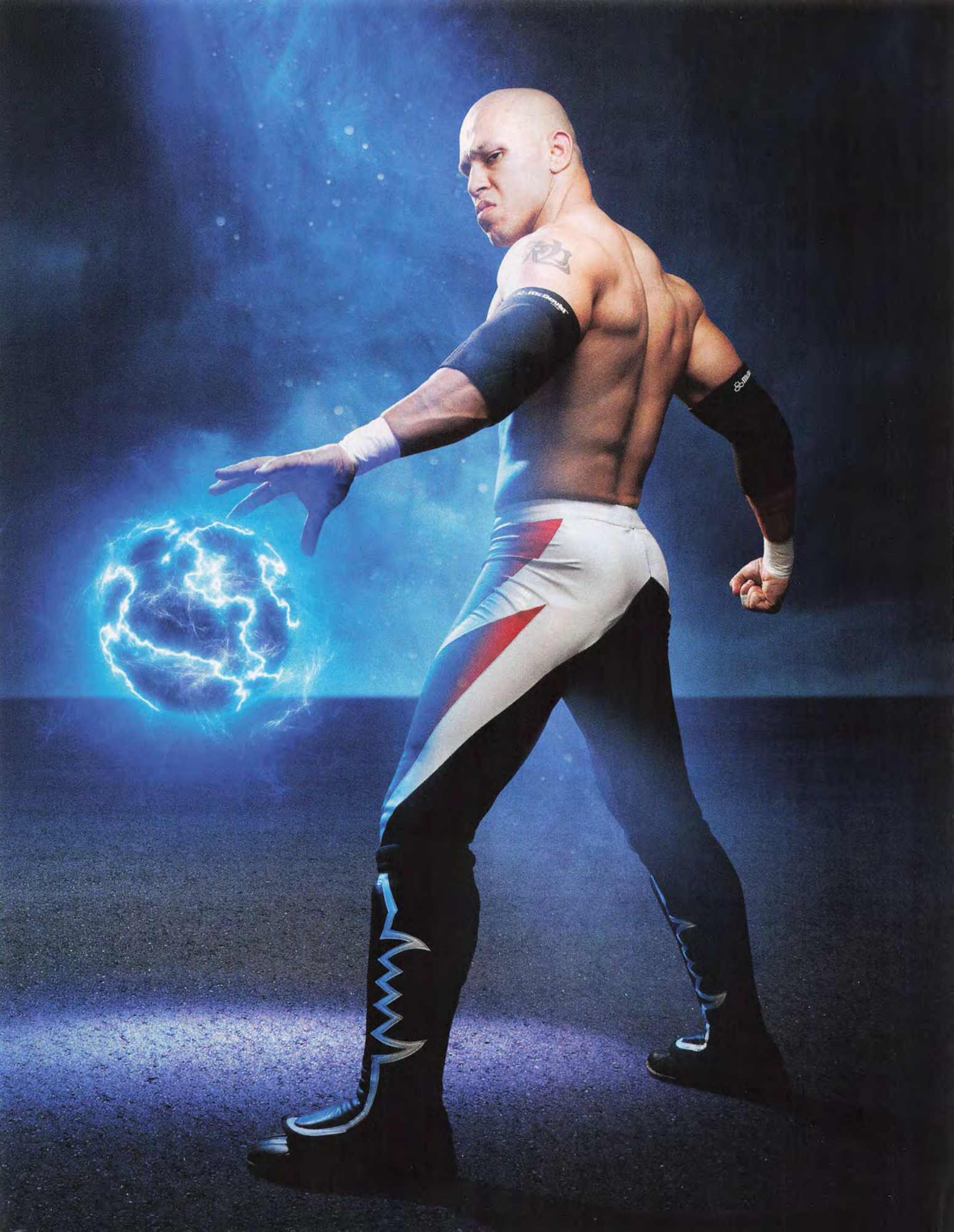
the ring. The problem with that is you develop tunnel vision when you're just fighting and fighting. That's counterproductive, because, for the most part, this is entertainment. Some of the best fighters in the world will never make it to the highest level of their craft because they're boring. You need to captivate that audience. Lay-Cool had me laughing all the time. They're so damn goofy that it was hard for me to keep a serious face.

Did your WWE NXT pairing with Lay-Cool subject you to some unfair ribbing?

No. Because I'm so serious, a lot of people don't know how to receive me. They're unnerved by it. I think even Lucky Cannon said, "He's so quiet—I don't really like that. It makes me nervous." Coming in with my reputation from the outside, they know that I don't play games. They know that I'm pretty straightforward and serious about my craft. As for the ribbing and all that, I don't think I went through anything except for the pink "Team Lay-Cool" shirt deal. I actually let Michelle and Layla hold onto it for me, in the event that we should ever need it again.

Finally, all warriors have codes that they live their lives by. What's yours?

It's not one specific thing; there's no single word to describe it. For me, it's a combination of all the different disciplines that I've studied. Honesty seems to be the most common thread among them. I was taught early on that honest business will keep you in business longer than everyone else. Part of the Bushido code is honesty and integrity. You need to have these qualities to succeed in business because respect follows that. Respect goes much further than fear. People always ask me about my in-ring style. My style isn't definitive. It's an adaptation, like being a chameleon. I want to be that guy who can flow in any direction.



BRAWL

Zack Ryder's WWE Swag!

The Long Island Loudmouth digs deep into his collection of memorabilia and gives us the inside story on some of his favorite items.

Brutus Beefcake Scissors

"I had these as a kid and they broke, and I couldn't find them again. Every week I type in 'WWE FOAM' on eBay to see what pops up. When this came up, I bought it for a few hundred bucks. WWE made so many weird foam items, but I always liked Brutus' scissors because they weren't just a foam thing, they actually worked."



WWE Royal Rumble Wrestling Ring

"This was a ring that came with six figures, and the mat had a spring underneath it. When you hit the handles, it made the mat bounce and knock random figures out of the ring. I used to play it with my brother all the time, and when I found it on eBay I absolutely had to buy it."



HBK Sunglasses, Hat & Armbands

"As a kid, Shawn Michaels was my favorite, and I wanted to be just like him. If you watch the *SummerSlam 2002* DVD, you can see me in the first couple of rows wearing this outfit. It's pretty pathetic now. I was a senior in high school, so it really wasn't that cool. But I'm on the DVD!"

FACT!

The most expensive item ever sold on WWE Shop was a replica Million Dollar Championship belt for \$399.



Stretch Wrestlers

"These are really hard to find, especially figures that are in-box. If they're not in the box, they're basically garbage because they're so fragile. There are eight in the set. I have six and still need two more. I made sure to keep mine in tip-top shape, because the box is so brittle. The box is clutch. Without the box, it's worth nothing."

Wrestling Buddies, Hawk & Animal—From The Legion of Doom

"Not many people know The Legion of Doom buddies exist. There was a main set of four with Hulk Hogan, Macho Man, The Ultimate Warrior and The Million Dollar Man, but the other ones are more rare, for sure. To find this stuff in mint condition is very hard!"



MONEY MATTERS

IT COST WHAT?

While idly scanning back issues of *WWE Magazine*, we happened to stumble upon this piece of shockingly overpriced merchandise.

WWE MAGAZINE, MARCH 1994

Back in 1994, WWE offered its fans a chance to experience the Royal Rumble Match for themselves with Acclaim's *Royal Rumble* video game, which promised, according to the packaging: "No holds barred action!" So how much did we have to shell out before we could enjoy a 16-bit, 30-man throwdown? Only \$94.95! Call us skinflints, but \$100 for a video game with relatively cheap graphics sounds steep, even if we could, as the ad suggests, play it with Razor Ramon.



TWEET YOUR LIFE!

We sum up a Superstar's career in 140 characters. Can you guess whom we're writing about?

WHO AM I?

"I STARTED OUT AS A STREAMER-CLAD JOKE AND THEN WENT ON TO ELECTRIFY THE WWE UNIVERSE. CAN YOUR OLFACTORY SENSES DEDUCE WHAT I AM PREPARING?"*

ANSWER: THE ROCK



THE FATAL FOUR



We put Superstars in the hot seat with these random questions.

	TAMINA	EVAN BOURNE	SHEAMUS	KELLY KELLY
1 Best James Bond Of All Time?	<p>"Sean Connery. I'm old-school. His voice was sexy and he was working it!"</p> 	<p>"Pierce Brosnan. When I was growing up, he was <i>the</i> guy for James Bond."</p> 	<p>"Sean Connery. The original's always the best. He set the bar for everyone who followed him."</p> 	<p>"Pierce Brosnan. Mostly because I loved him in <i>Mrs. Doubtfire</i>."</p> 
2 Paranormal Thing I Believe In?	<p>"I believe that there's other life somewhere out there."</p> 	<p>"Parallel universes. I'm into the idea that there are multiple variations of our own universe, and that every decision you make resonates over and over again."</p>	<p>"I believe in spirits. I grew up in a Georgian house in Dublin that was more than 200 years old. My grandmother would always tell me about the weird things that happened there."</p> 	<p>"Aliens. With so many planets, you'd think one of them would have life on it!"</p>
3 Movie I Hope I Never See Again?	<p>"Hannah Montana: The Movie. I hope I never have to see it or hear any music from it again!"</p> 	<p>"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone. I saw it in the theater with my friends, and it was so long and boring I had to get up and leave. I just couldn't care less."</p>	<p>"Twilight. I got halfway through it and turned it off. The vampires looked about as convincing as the Count from <i>Sesame Street</i>."</p>	<p>"Knight and Day. Tom Cruise and Cameron Diaz just weren't believable as a couple."</p> 
4 Christmas Gift I Never Opened?	<p>"A bath set with lotions and creams. I just rewrapped it immediately and gave it to someone else."</p> 	<p>"My uncle gave me a jar of marmalade and some Post-It notes. That was the haul for that year."</p> 	<p>"My uncle would give me the most dodgy-looking shirts you've ever seen. They'd just go right in the closet and never come out again."</p>	<p>"Some random shirt that I didn't like. I re-gifted it a few days later!"</p> 



MY MOST UNDERRATED MATCHES

We prod WWE Superstars to reveal the lesser-known bouts they hold in high esteem. This month: **Kofi Kingston**.



vs. MVP Raw, 6/1/09

"I don't think people expected the match to go the way that it did. We were both fan faves, and our rivalry really fueled the bout. We both wanted to outdo each other."



vs. Chavo WWE Superstars, 9/2/10

"This is actually one of my favorite matches ever in my career. Chavo's one of those guys who can do it all in the ring, and he and I definitely tore the house down that night."



vs. Carlito, Jack Swagger, The Miz; Fatal Four Way Raw, 8/31/09

"This is another favorite of mine. Carlito is very reserved and quiet outside of the ring, but once that bell hits, it's a whole other story."



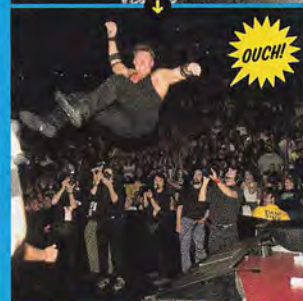
CALENDAR CURSE

BAD DAY?

Whether it's in WWE or around the world, some days are just no good.

FEBRUARY 14, 1929

In what would become known as the St. Valentine's Day Massacre, seven gangsters associated with Bugs Moran's North Side Gang were (allegedly) murdered by members of Al Capone's crew in a battle of crime syndicates.



FEBRUARY 14, 1999

Seventy years later, Mr. McMahon suffers an equally lousy day at the *St. Valentine's Day Massacre* PPV. Facing Stone Cold in a Steel Cage Match, The Chairman is pounded into sludge at the hands of The Rattlesnake. Even the intervention of Big Show can't save the boss from Austin's savagery.

The image shows two DVD covers. The top cover is for 'WWE Top 50 Superstars All Time', featuring a collage of various WWE superstars. The bottom cover is for 'WWE Raw: Greatest Moments 2010', featuring a collage of WWE Raw superstars, including John Cena and The Undertaker. The text 'DVD' is visible in the bottom left corner of the image.



KING OF KINGS?

Royal Rundown

Dear *WWE Magazine*,
I hate The Celtic Warrior, but his record speaks for itself. After all, he's a two-time WWE Champion and the reigning King Of The Ring. I'll continue to root against him, but I gotta respect him. Do you think he will rule as the greatest king ever? I have my doubts.

Craig D., Murray, KY

King Sheamus is a formidable foe, but it's a little premature to crown him the Greatest King Of All Time. He's held the crown for a few months, so let's not be too hasty. For now, here's how Sheamus stacks up against other famous "royals."



LONGEST TITLE REIGN

Sheamus:
91 days as the
WWE Champion.

King Louis XIV:
72 years,
3 months, 18
days as King
of France

NO. OF WIVES

Sheamus:
0

King Henry VIII:
6

NO. OF NO. 1 HITS

Sheamus:
0

Elvis (the King):
30

TIME ON NATIONAL TV

Sheamus:
1 year, 6 months
(at press time)

Larry King: 25
years, 6 months
(at press time)



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TWEET OF THE MONTH

Straight from our feed to your face.

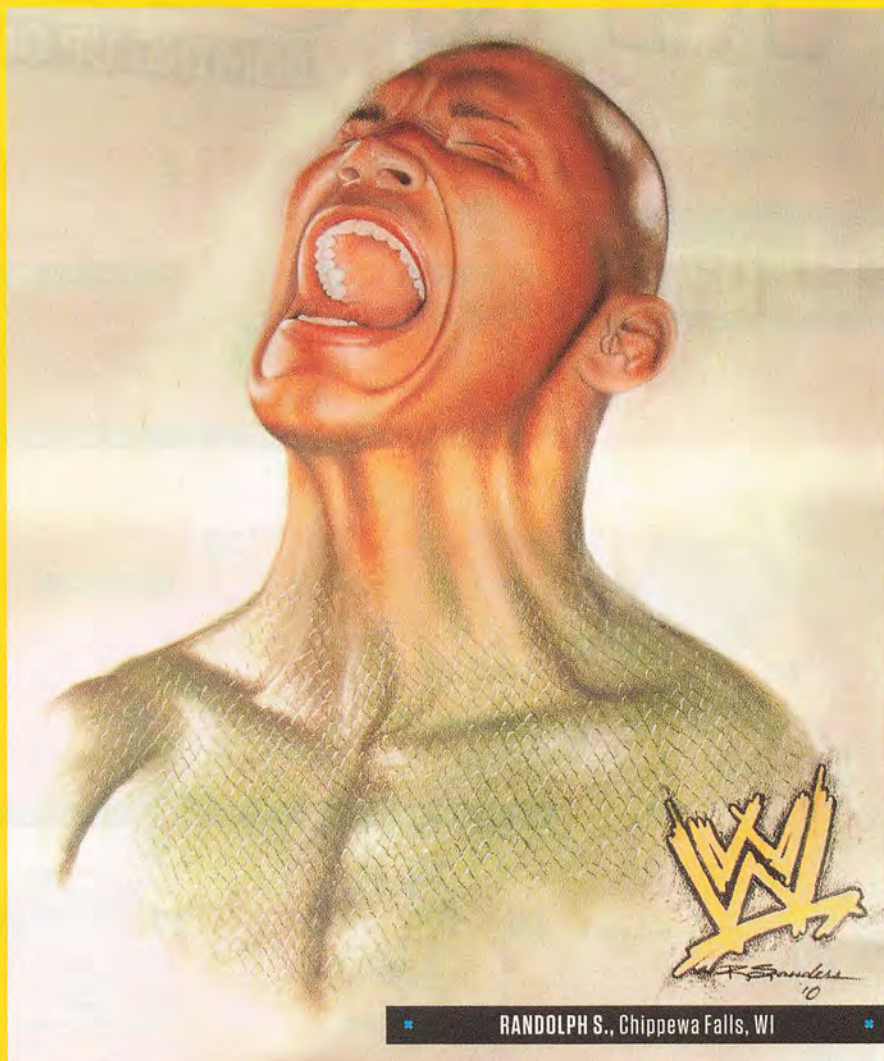
TrueKofi: Just saw a lady who stopped a man who was holding a baby. Lady: "oh, is it a girl?" Man: "no, it's a boy." Lady: "oh, well I was close!"

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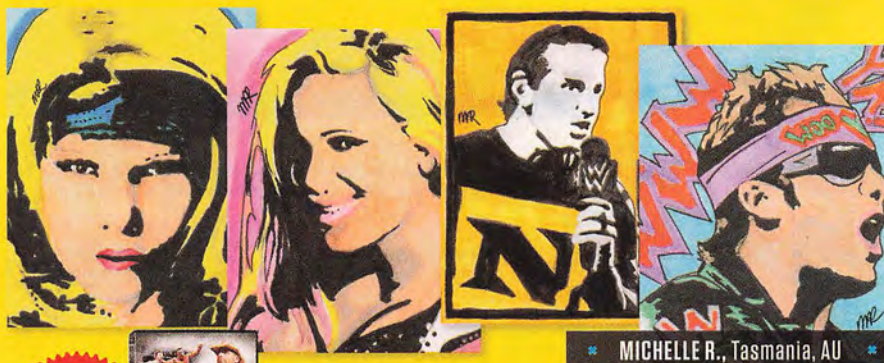


FAN ART OF THE MONTH

We're always seeking drawings of your favorite WWE Superstars. If you've got the touch, why not send your work our way! Here's what caught our eye this month.



RANDOLPH S., Chippewa Falls, WI



MICHELLE R., Tasmania, AU

WIN!



HEY, ARTISTS!

Wanna see your handiwork in *WWE Magazine*? Send your Da Vinci-esque doodles of Superstars to MAGAZINE@WWE.COM and we might publish them! Next month we'll give away a copy of *The Best of Raw 2010*. Details on Page 77.

WATCH IT!

COMING UP ON PAY-PER-VIEW

February

The Entire Month In World Wrestling Entertainment*

1

SmackDown
Uniondale, NY 6:45 pm

29 Years Ago Today
Late Night With David Letterman debuts on NBC.



HISTORIC MOMENT

2

Happy Groundhog Day, WWE Universe!



47 Years Ago Today
The first G.I. Joe action figures, representing the four branches of the U.S. Armed Forces, debut. Decades later, WWE Hall of Famers Sgt. Slaughter and William "The Refrigerator" Perry join the series.

HISTORIC MOMENT

3



Eight Years Ago Today
Ric Flair, Triple H, Batista and Randy Orton unite to create the super-stable, Evolution. The group will run roughshod over the Raw roster for almost two years, winning singles and tag titles.

WWE MOMENT

14



14 Years Ago Today
A young Rocky Maivia wins his first WWE gold, the Intercontinental Title, defeating Hunter Hearst Helmsley on a special Thursday edition of Raw.

Raw Live Event
Bakersfield, CA 5 pm

WWE MOMENT

13

Strike's Over!

Three years ago today, with the end of the Writers Guild of America's 100-day strike, everyone's favorite shows return, as TV scribes, among others, go back to work.



HISTORIC MOMENT

12

Raw Live Event
Victoria, Canada
5 pm

SmackDown Live Event
Lubbock, TX
7:30 pm

Raw
Anaheim, CA 5:30 pm

Happy Valentine's Day!

The Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show begins. The Pitbulls are *not* invited.

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SmackDown
San Diego, CA
6:45 pm

7 Years Ago Today
Eddie Guerrero upsets Brock Lesnar at No Way Out to win his first WWE Championship. *¡Viva La Raza!*

WWE MOMENT

16



14 Years Ago Today
Bret Hart wins his fourth WWE Championship in a Fatal Four Way Match at In Your House: Final Four. He only holds the title for a single day, losing the next night to Sycho Sid on Raw.

WWE MOMENT

17

Three Years Ago Today

John Cena uses his WWE Title shot early, challenging Randy Orton at No Way Out. The Champ wins when The Viper DQs himself, slithering away with his title intact.

WWE MOMENT

18

26 Years Ago Today
Leilani Kai defeats Wendi Richter with an assist from The Fabulous Moolah to win the Women's Championship at The War to Settle the Score.



WWE MOMENT



Holy Double Helix!

58 years ago today, James Watson and Frances Crick discover the chemical structure of DNA. Still doesn't explain how we got Kane.

Two Years Ago Today

Vladimir Kozlov scores arguably the biggest pin of his career when The Moscow Mauler gets a clean win over Undertaker to continue his undefeated streak on SmackDown.

WWE MOMENT

SmackDown Live Event
Toledo, OH 5 pm

The 83rd Annual Academy Awards air tonight! Will one of Goldust's Shattered Dreams productions finally take home the Oscar?



Raw Live Event
San Jose, Costa Rica 8 pm

SmackDown Live Event
Fort Wayne, IN 7:30 pm

15 Years Ago Today
Utah point guard and passing whiz John Stockton records his 11,000th assist in a game against the Phoenix Suns.

HISTORIC MOMENT

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28 Years Ago Today
U2's *War* is released, featuring the hit track, "New Year's Day"—the band's first Billboard top 100 single.

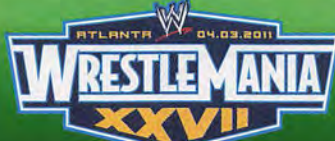
HISTORIC MOMENT

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**ELIMINATION
chamber**

FEBRUARY 20 • 7:45PM ET
Oracle Arena; Oakland, CA



**WRESTLEMANIA
XXVII**

APRIL 3 • 6:45PM ET
Georgia Dome; Atlanta, GA



**EXTREME
RULES**

MAY 1 • 7:45PM ET
St. Pete Times Forum; Tampa, FL

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Raw Live Event
Minneapolis, MN 7:30 pm

228 Years Ago Today
Great Britain formally declares it will cease all hostilities in the American Revolutionary War. Take that, William Regal!



HISTORIC MOMENT

5



23 Years Ago Today
Andre the Giant wins the WWE Championship in a controversial pinfall victory over Hulk Hogan and then hands the title to The Million Dollar Man, Ted DiBiase.

Raw Live Event
Rochester, MN 7:30 pm

WWE MOMENT

6

Raw Live Event
Madison, WI 1 pm

SmackDown Live Event
Philadelphia, PA 1 pm

Super Bowl XLV kicks off today from deep within the heart of north Texas.



HISTORIC MOMENT


7

Raw
Milwaukee, WI 7:15 pm

47 Years Ago Today
The Beatles meet thousands of screaming fans as they leave their plane at JFK after arriving for their first American tour. The "British Invasion" begins.



HISTORIC MOMENT



11

Raw Live Event
Vancouver, Canada 7:30 pm

27 Years Ago Today
WWE Hall of Famer "Rowdy" Roddy Piper makes his WWE debut.

WWE MOMENT

10

Five Years Ago Today
The final episode of *Arrested Development* airs on FOX. Its genius will live on, though, thanks to Netflix and the promise of a future full-length feature film.



HISTORIC MOMENT

9

40 Years Ago Today
Pitcher Leroy "Satchel" Paige is nominated for the MLB Hall of Fame—the first veteran of the Negro Leagues to earn this honor.



HISTORIC MOMENT

8

SmackDown
Green Bay, WI 6:30 pm



Big Show's Birthday

19

Four Years Ago Today
Melina defeats rival Mickie James to win her very first Women's Championship on *Raw*.



WWE MOMENT

Deadman Defeated!
Kurt Angle outlasts Undertaker in a grueling 30-minute main event at *No Way Out* to retain his World Heavyweight Championship.

20

Hit The Road!
Get your checkered flags out—NASCAR season starts today at the Daytona 500.



Gail Kim's Birthday




ON PAY-PER-VIEW
Oakland, CA
7:45 pm ET

21

One Year Ago Today
John Cena outlasts five Superstars to win his fifth WWE Championship. Seconds later, he's thrown into a match against Batista, who destroys The Champ and takes the title, kicking off their *WrestleMania* feud.

WWE MOMENT



25

Raw Live Event
Quito, Ecuador 8 pm

47 Years Ago Today
Cassius Clay defeats Sonny Liston to become World Heavyweight Champion in Miami. Muhammad Ali is born!

HISTORIC MOMENT

24

Raw Live Event
Santiago, Chile 8:30 pm

29 Years Ago Today
The other Great One, Wayne Gretzky, scores his 77th goal in a game against the Buffalo Sabres, passing a single-season record once held by Phil Esposito.

HISTORIC MOMENT



23

Raw Live Event
Santiago, Chile 8:30 pm

Eight Years Ago Today
Mr. McMahon interferes in a match between Hulk Hogan and The Rock at *No Way Out*, setting up The Chairman and Hogan's memorable Street Fight at *WrestleMania XIX*.

WWE MOMENT

SmackDown
Sacramento, CA 6:45 pm

One Year Ago Today
Maryse defeats Gail Kim on *Raw* in a tournament to become the new Divas Champion.



Big Show: A Giant's World DVD is released

WWE MOMENT

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WWE's Wild Card Match!

 Inside the Elimination Chamber, anything can happen. **And we mean anything.** Remember these incredible moments from the stip's past?

1 Yes, Outside Interference Is Possible

At 2003's *SummerSlam*, Goldberg had Triple H on the ropes until Ric Flair slid The Game's trusty sledgehammer into the structure. The Cerebral Assassin clocked Goldberg and slithered away with his title. At 2010's *Elimination Chamber*, Shawn Michaels hid inside the Chamber, only to appear at the end of the bout, leveling Undertaker with Sweet Chin Music.



2 Even When The Match Is Over...It Isn't

Outlasting five other Superstars still doesn't earn you a dip in the ice tub and a champion's rest. At *New Year's Revolution*, John Cena snow-plowed through Kurt Angle, Carlito, Chris Masters, Shawn Michaels and Kane to retain his WWE Championship. But before he could even stand up, Edge cashed in his MITB chance on the Champ to win the title.



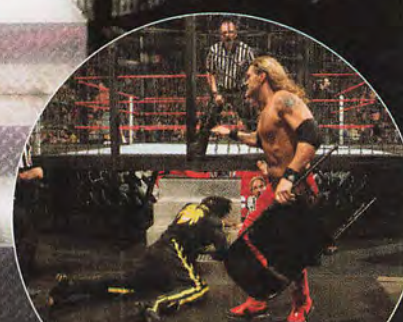
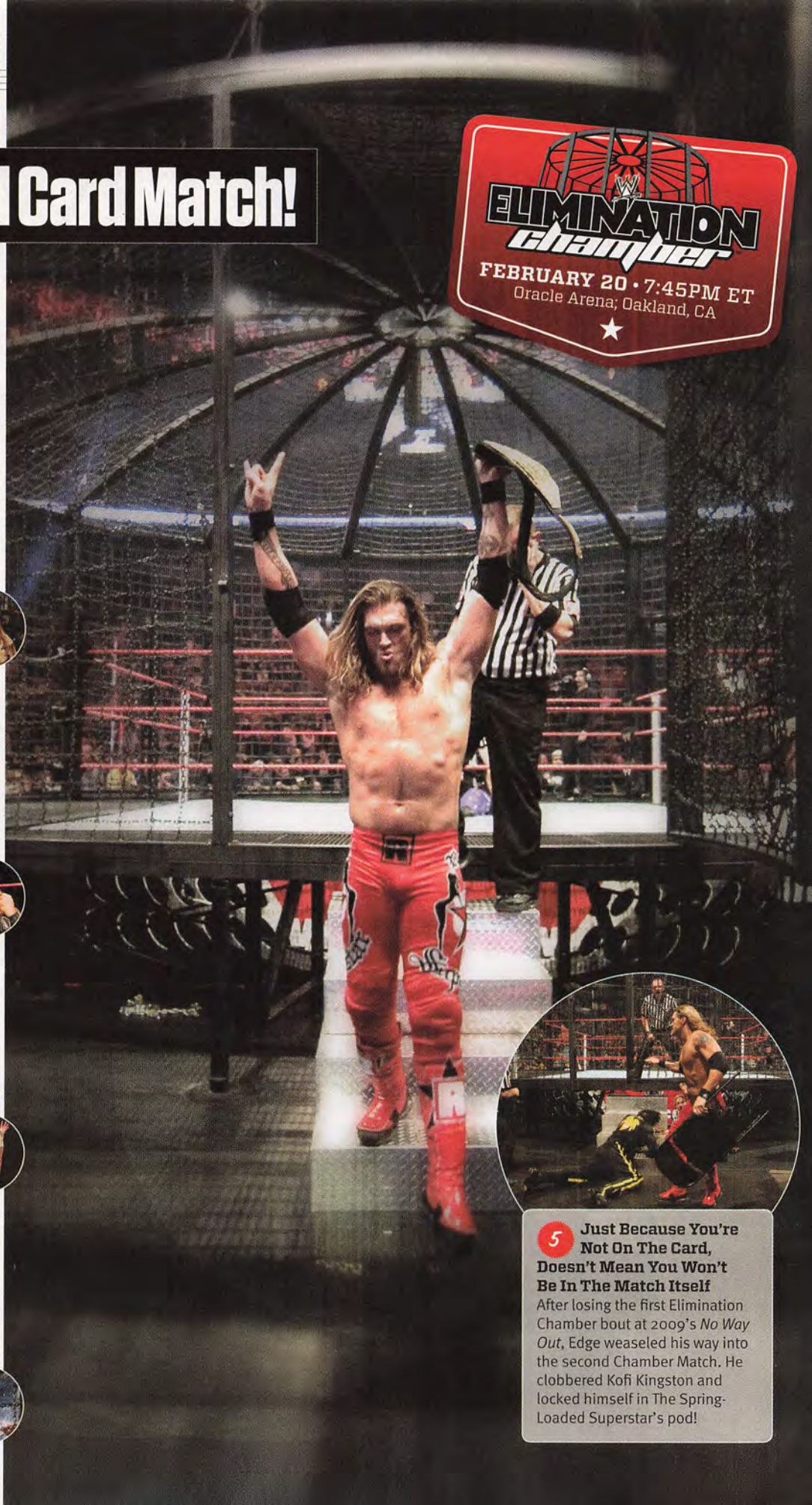
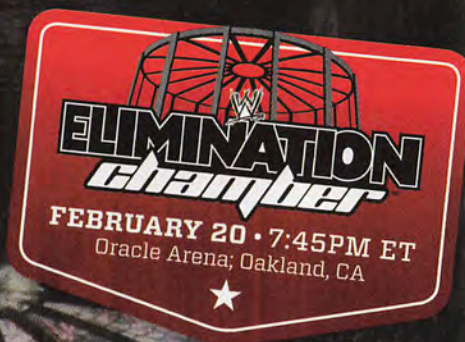
3 Elimination Chamber = Innovation

How do you make the Chamber even more dangerous? Give everyone involved a weapon. For *December to Dismember's* Extreme Elimination Chamber Match in 2006, each Superstar had a foreign object to keep him company inside his pod.



4 No Superstar Can Claim To Rule The Chamber


At 4-2, Triple H can certainly boast the best record inside the Elimination Chamber, but no Superstar can truly claim dominance in this stip. Consider this: With the exception of Bobby Lashley, every Superstar who has won an EC Match has also lost one. Even John Cena and Undertaker have fallen inside Satan's Structure.



5 Just Because You're Not On The Card, Doesn't Mean You Won't Be In The Match Itself

After losing the first Elimination Chamber bout at 2009's *No Way Out*, Edge weaseled his way into the second Chamber Match. He clobbered Kofi Kingston and locked himself in The Spring-Loaded Superstar's pod!

Gimmick Battle Royal 2.0!

 In 2001, *WrestleMania X-Seven* hosted 20 eccentric Superstars in a battle for oddball bragging rights. Now, 10 years later, we say bring the match back and populate it with these misfits from the past decade!

ENTRY NUMBER	ENTRANT
1	Chester McCheeserton
2	Bull Buchanan
3	Kizarny
4	Palmer Cannon
5	Boogeyman
6	Chad Dick (The Dicks)
7	James Dick (The Dicks)
8	Jake (The Gymini)
9	Super Porky
10	Eric Escobar
11	Sylvester Terkay
12	Sylvan Grenier (La Résistance)
13	Simon Dean
14	DJ Gabriel
15	Mike Knox
16	Robbie (The Highlanders)
17	Rory (The Highlanders)
18	Jesse (The Gymini)
19	Rene Dupree (La Résistance)
20	Gunner Scott



FACT!

The Iron Sheik, who won the first Gimmick Battle Royal, is also the first Superstar to take home WWE gold at *Mania*.

WHO'S NEXT?

FUTURE ELIMINATORS?

These Superstars have yet to enter the Elimination Chamber. Could 2011 be the year they end up locked inside Satan's Structure?

▪ **Wade Barrett**
The British Brawler's two-fisted style is suited to this punishing environment, where sheer brawn often trumps pure wrestling skill. Add John Cena to the mix, and you've got a grudge match to boot. Consider our tickets bought and paid for.

▪ **The Miz**
The Miz has yet to prove how awesome he is inside Satan's Structure. His penchant for underhanded tactics would serve him well within the cage. Not a fan? If nothing else, the pods are soundproof, so at least you wouldn't have to hear The Miz talk.

▪ **Daniel Bryan**
Sure, he's been on a hot streak as of late, but Bryan hasn't tested his resolve against a structure that ends careers before they even begin. The question we want answered is: What's more punishing, the steel of the Chamber or Bryan's LeBell Lock?



LEGENDS

MISSED OPPORTUNITIES

This year, **Undertaker** has a chance of going 19-0 at *Mania*, which got us wondering: In their prime, could any of these *WM* greats have broken the streak?



Stone Cold *WrestleMania* Record: 5-2

The Rattlesnake held his own during his seven bouts at The Show of Shows. However, his last match at the big dance, a loss, proves that even the immortal Stone Cold can be broken.

The Rock *WrestleMania* Record: 4-4

The Rock has an even record at *Mania*. But it seems The Great One fared worse when the pressure was high. Ken Shamrock? No problem. Stone Cold? Problem. The Deadman might cause The Rock to crack.



Bret Hart *WrestleMania* Record: 8-6

Bret certainly made waves at *Mania*, but also lost big, surrendering his title to Shawn Michaels at *WMXII*. With a legacy to protect, could Bret muster what it takes to outlast The Deadman?



John Cena *WrestleMania* Record: 6-1

The Champ has never lost a singles match at *WrestleMania*. But also keep in mind that the only time these two ever met at a pay-per-view (2003's *Vengeance*), it ended in a clear-cut defeat for Cena, a fact Undertaker could exploit.



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CONTEST

GUESS THE MATCH

 These two Superstars battled in a steel cage for the WWE Championship at the first *Extreme Rules*. Do you know the names of the grapplers in the pic and the date of the bout? Enter now to win this snow gear signed by John Morrison, which appears in the February issue of *WWE Kids*. Visit www.wwe.com/magazine/ or Page 77 for contest rules and submission details.

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SHEAMUS vs. THE ULTIMATE WARRIOR

The modern-day Celtic Warrior and the master of Destructivity collide like hell-bound freight trains inside a steel cage in an *Extreme Rules* bout for the ages!

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

WWE Champion,
2-time Intercontinental
Champion

THE LOWDOWN

The Ultimate Warrior operates on one speed: fast-forward. He's best known for his sprint to the ring and his blink-and-you-missed-it wins against opponents.

Following the mystic tenets of Destructivity—a mysterious martial philosophy—allowed the Warrior to harness unique powers to topple Superstars by way of his signature Gorilla Press Slam.

The Warrior crushed Rick Rude in their WWE Championship Cage Match at 1990's *SummerSlam*. We suspect he would have no problem stepping back inside the steel.

FINAL ANALYSIS

The Ultimate Warrior can endure a lot of punishment, but we're giving the edge here to The Celtic Warrior. The master of Destructivity might win in a traditional bout, but we think the Brogue-Kicking Sheamus would deliver as many face-paint-smearing punts as needed to put down the Warrior and escape the cage. Advantage pale rider!

WINNER SHEAMUS

JANUARY'S MATCH

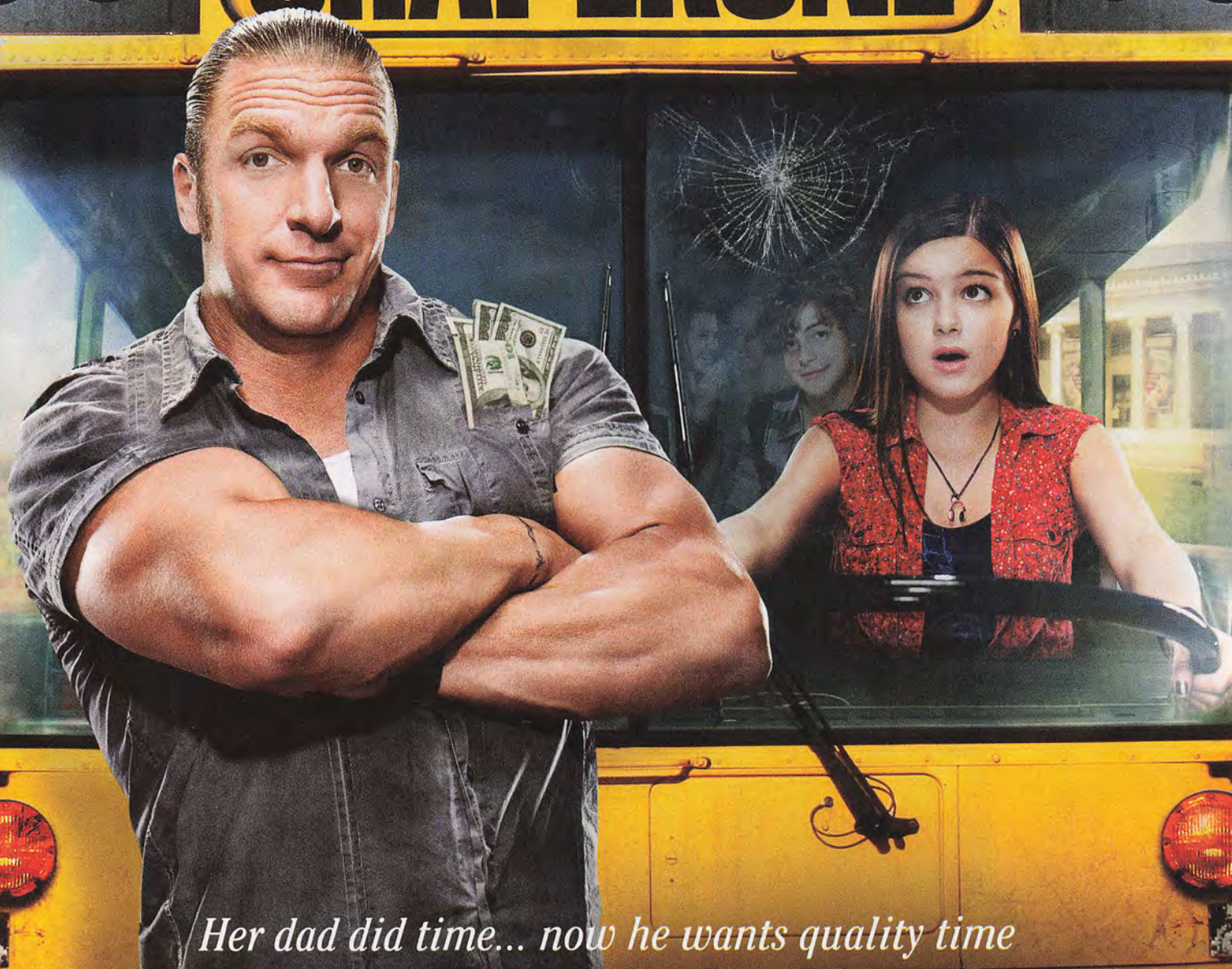


Virgil vs. Ted DiBiase
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PEARLS OF WISDOM FROM WWE'S SHREWDEST SUPERSTARS



Cash For Questions



The Bizarre One offers his bizarre thoughts on Tweeting, wrestling in a latex suit, and meeting Lady Gaga.

Q Where do you buy your gold body paint? I want some.

Margaret A., Perry, OK

A A friend of mine, Madonna, gave me the phone number of her paint guy. It's made by Krylon. It only takes me 15 minutes to become golden, whereas it would take someone like you about an hour and a half. It's a lot of makeup. I probably go through one gold bar's worth a year.

Q What happened to your stutter? Did it just go away or did you take speech therapy classes?

James G., Alpharetta, GA

A I took speech therapy classes along with some medication. It seems to have worked. But whenever I get nervous, when I'm around good-looking women, it flares up and then I have to slap myself in the face to stop it. Luckily, I'm the king of breathing techniques. Still, I'd be worried if I had to announce a Divas match or something like that.

Q What would you say was the single greatest thing about being a Pro on *WWE NXT*?

Hanlon R., Omaha, NE

A The greatest thing that I did as a Pro was pass on my knowledge. I have great knowledge of and love for this business. I tried to tell the Rookies to be patient. Standing in the ring is not a right; you've gotta work for everything. They all improved, so I did my job.

Q What are the pros and cons of wrestling in a latex catsuit?

Nicolas I., London, UK

A It makes my opponents uncomfortable. It's disturbing, and gets me into their head so that I can do what I want with them. They become my puppets. Of

course, the downside is that in the summer, when it's 110 degrees outside, I die in that suit. It's ridiculously hot. I sweat about half a liter during matches. When I take off the suit, I look as though I just got out of a swimming pool.

Q Why do you Tweet so much?

Omar W., San Antonio, TX

A I like to talk to the fans. I like to show them appreciation for appreciating me. A lot of people say, "You shouldn't be Tweeting them," or, "You shouldn't answer questions." But the fans know I love them—and anyone can be a part of the Golden Kingdom. I only have 46,000 followers right now, but that's OK. I still have more followers than *WWE Magazine*. I'm a must-follow! Me, Ashton Kutcher and Tom from MySpace...we're like the Three Kings of Twitter.

Q Tell us—who's weirder, you or Lady Gaga?

Brandon J., Memphis, TN

A I'm a big Lady Gaga fan, but I think I'm a little more bizarre than her. I'd love to meet her. If she were a *Raw* Guest Star, I'd have an excuse to wear my suit made of meat. Or, if she wants to wear the meat, I could wear my full-length coyote fur coat. People would fire up their Tivos for that.

Q Why bother wearing a wig to the ring if you're just gonna take it off?

Lewis N., via e-mail

A Mind games. If my foe's wondering about the wig, he's not thinking about my next move. Some people say, "He looks like a girl, ergo, he hits like a girl." But I know some tough girls: Beth Phoenix'll stomp you and not think twice about it.



"Will Aksana get this wig in the divorce?"

Q What's the strangest gilded object you own?

Billy E., via e-mail

A A golden idol from *Raiders of the Lost Ark*. I got it from a movie set in Hollywood. I love Indiana Jones, but my favorite George Lucas movies are the *Star Wars* films. I'm a *Star Wars* nut. Huge Darth Vader fan...and Darth Maul, too. I wish they hadn't killed him off. Big mistake, in my opinion. Oops...spoiler alert. Also, Luke is Vader's kid. Surprise!

Q Have you ever accidentally bitten your tongue when performing your signature bite?

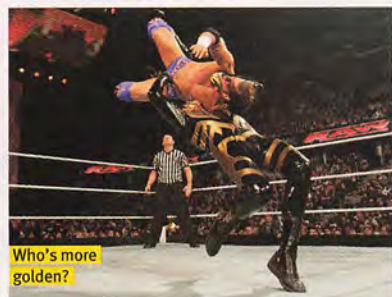
Ellen R., Charleston, SC

A Not yet, no. The last self-inflicted wound I can remember happened during a match against Ted DiBiase. My zipper came down and pinched my skin, and I was freaking out. He was hitting me in the head, but all I could think about was my neck skin. I tried to unzip the suit, but he kept punching me and I couldn't get away from him. I was grunting and squealing like a madman. He probably thought he was doing a great job, but I was more afraid of the zipper than I was of him.

Q What do you think is the greatest movie quote of all time?

Holly G., Albany, GA

A "So let it be written, so let it be done," from *The Ten Commandments*. It's just one of those lines that you can use in everyday life. Even if you're doing something as ordinary as ordering pizza. "Can you confirm the anchovies?" "So let it be written, so let it be done."



Who's more golden?

Q What was the inspiration for your finisher, the Final Cut?

Jackson V., Detroit, MI

A It's a modification of the Curtain Call, but with a twist. It comes down in a cutting motion, and it has a finality to it because it's a finisher. I like to hit the Final Cut and say, "That's a wrap." As a side note, let me say that Final Cut is also the premier film-editing software suite on the market—I use it to put together all the Shattered Dreams productions.



GOT A BURNING QUESTION?

In the coming months we'll be sorting through fan mail for Sheamus, Big Show and Randy Orton. Send your queries to **MAGAZINE@WWE.COM** (subject line: "Cash for Questions"), or send it the hard way! (Snail it to: *WWE Magazine*, 1241 East Main Street, Stamford, CT 06902.) If it doesn't suck, we'll print it in the mag—and send you 20 bucks in cold, hard, spendin' cash.

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Debating Divas



FACT!

With her 2010 title reign, Layla was the last WWE Diva to hold the Women's Championship!



Layla and Kelly Kelly reveal the most romantic gifts for Valentine's Day, ways to sell her on "Guys' Night," and great places to meet women in the winter!

Q I really stepped in it this time. My girlfriend is furious with me, and I need to say more than "I'm sorry." What do I do?

Layla Whether she ignores you or not, send her an e-mail or text every single day until she forgives you. Let her know that you think of her every morning when you wake up and every night before you go to bed. Show her that you're not giving up on the relationship and admit your mistake.

Kelly Talk is cheap. You need to act. Sweep her off her feet. Send her seven different bouquets, one every day for a week. *ProFlowers.com* actually has a category called "Apology Flowers." When she acknowledges the gift, ask her to go to dinner with you and take her to the nicest place possible. Even though you said, "Sorry," find other ways to show her how apologetic you really are.

Q What are three absolute no-no gifts to give a girl for Valentine's Day? What about one surefire gift?

Kelly Gift certificates are awful! Absolutely never get a woman something so impersonal. It'll feel like you're simply throwing money at her. Instead, plan a secret romantic getaway. Surprise her on the day of the trip. Be mysterious, and tell her to pack up

and get in the car. She'll love that you took the time to plan it all by yourself. I also think the usual stuff is ideal on Valentine's Day, too. Red roses and heart-shaped boxes of candy are always a hit.

Layla No way. I *hate* flowers. They die, and they're boring. Clothes also make a poor gift. No woman wants clothes from her man, especially on the most romantic day of the year. And you'll be in the doghouse if you get her the wrong size! If you want to win her over, send her to the spa for the day. She'll feel refreshed, and you won't have the pressure of making the entire day romantic. So it's a win for you both. Start your search at Elizabeth Arden's *reddoorspas.com*.

Q Thursday has always been "Guys' Night." Does this need to change now that I'm in a serious relationship?

Layla It shouldn't have to change, but why can't you incorporate her into it at times? If you're not willing to give up "Guys' Night," though, promise her that you'll spend time with her later in the evening, every Thursday.

Kelly I'm a firm believer that in relationships, a guy and girl need time to do their own thing. So keep your plans, but give her a night each week to spend with her girls. By the way, I

Q My girl works in an office full of alpha males. How do I let them know she's taken without embarrassing her?

Kelly You need to send her flowers, ASAP. Call 1-800-FLOWERS and order the "100 Blooms of Multicolored Spray Roses." Then sign the card with, "Love, the man of your dreams" or "You're always on my mind." Her coworkers will get the hint *real* fast.

Layla Flowers don't drive the point home, though. What you really need to do is frame a photo of the two of you—and I'm talking about a nice frame, like Tiffany & Co.'s Heart Frame. Mail it to her office. Trust me, she'll place it on her desk, and it'll effectively mark your territory.



did a little research on this one, and found a great article at *AskMen.com* titled, "Getting Away with Boys Night." Study up, then talk to your girl about it.

Q I live in Maine. How can I meet women when it's too cold to go outside?

Kelly Dating in the winter can be rough. I recently read a story in *Cosmopolitan* called, "Why Love is Harder in Winter." It's so true. You have to make an effort though, even if it means going to the grocery store for some human interaction. Another idea is to join an intramural indoor sports league, like co-ed basketball. It's a great way to stay in shape and meet fun people.

Layla Those are actually OK ideas, Kelly. But for people who'd rather not get sweaty, I'd suggest an art gathering. It's a much more refined atmosphere than, say, a bar. Check out sites like *Eventful.com*, which list loads of local activities. Broaden your horizons, sweetheart!

Q I took my girl to a concert this fall as an early birthday gift, but her actual birthday is next week. Am I obligated to buy her something else?

Kelly No, you don't need to go all out again. If you told her that the concert

and dinner were her present, then that's fine. I would still give her a little something else, just so she has something to open on her birthday, you know? Maybe a cute pair of earrings or a small box of Godiva chocolates. Something that shows you remembered the actual day.

Layla Of course you still need to get her a gift! It's her birthday! Even if she said she understands the concert was a gift, do you really believe she won't be disappointed when she has nothing to open? Quit being so stingy and buy her a bottle of perfume. It's simple, sweet and not too extravagant. She'll absolutely love Angel by Thierry Mugler. It's heavenly.

Q I'm dating a girl who's "bothered" by my use of profanity. What can I do to clean up my !#@\$ mouth?

Layla If she expects you to change for her, she'd better be willing to do the same for you. Ask her to break a bad habit, too, then make a game of it. Propose that you'll both give up your vices, and the first person to crack must buy the other a gift. You'll motivate each other.

Kelly Or just stop cursing! It's a terrible habit anyway. Come up with different words for your foul language, then slip them into conversation instead. When you're talking to someone, imagine that he or she is a small child or your grandmother. It's a behavioral technique that works, and might make you think twice before cussing.

QUOTE!

"When you question what to buy your girl, jewelry is always the right answer."
—Kelly Kelly

THE RIGHT MOVES

DON'T BE THAT GUY!

Tamina takes time out to tell you about her ideal first date.



On a first date, a guy must always...

Make me laugh. A sense of humor is so attractive.

He should never ask a woman...

"How many other guys she's been with."

To score a second date, he needs...

"To not try to kiss me. Playing it cool is the way to go."



The Heartbreak Kid

QUIZ

Do you have the moves that drive all the girls wild? Take this test on all things HBK, which separates the sexy boys from the boy toys.



1 Can you decode the text below to reveal a famous HBK quote? Hint: The Showstopper delivered it during the 3/29/10 edition of *Raw*.

"BRET HART I SWEET CHIN MUSIC THANK YOU ALL Undertaker
SO HIGH CROSS MUCH for TRUNKS GIVING ME THE
GLAMSLAM HONOR AND turnbuckle THE PRIVILEGE
PEDIGREE TO SHOOTING STAR PRESS come out here ANNOUNCE TABLE
AND LET GO TO SLEEP ME show Howard Finkel off
IN ZACK ATTACK FRONT Mr. McMahon OF YOU HART
ATTACK EVERY NIGHT of my SKULL CRUSHING FINALE
LIFE. THIS RKO IS HOW TROUBLE IN PARADISE WE THE NEXUS
started AND THIS CROSS RHODES IS HOW WE'RE SPEAR
gonna end. LADIES FINAL CUT AND GENTLEMEN, the HEARTBREAK KID,
KICKPADS SHAWN MICHAELS, LAST CALL has LEFT
THE ROCKERS THE BUILDING ring."

2 TRUE OR FALSE?
WWE once named a pay-per-view
after the popular Triple H/HBK faction DX.

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3 On 5/21/00, HBK returned from retirement to ref an Iron Man Match between these two Superstars.

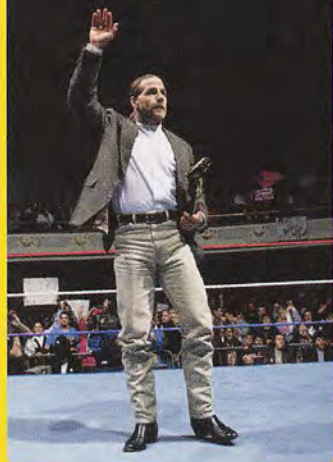
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4 CAN YOU REMEMBER?
Shawn Michaels debuted in WWE as one-half of the tag team The Rockers, alongside Marty Jannetty. After years of teaming together, however, they failed to win championship gold as a duo. With which Superstar did The Heartbreak Kid finally capture his first tag title?

- A TRIPLE H
- B DIESEL
- C BRET HART
- D STONE COLD STEVE AUSTIN

5 In 1998, what non-competitive role did HBK take in WWE?

- A** RING ANNOUNCER
- B** GENERAL MANAGER
- C** COMMISSIONER



6 Put the following five famous exploits of The Showstopper in chronological order:



A PARTICIPATED IN THE FIRST ELIMINATION CHAMBER



B WON THE ROYAL RUMBLE FROM THE NO. 1 POSITION



C NOTCHED THE FIRST EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP



D ZIP-LINED INTO WRESTLEMANIA



E FIRST SUPERSTAR TO BEAT VLADIMIR KOZLOV

7 **ODD MAN OUT!**
Mr. *WrestleMania* paved the way for future WWE Superstars by appearing in the first of many memorable stipulation matches. But which of the following contests did the founder of Sweet Chin Music NOT pioneer?

- A** IRON MAN MATCH
- B** HELL IN A CELL MATCH
- C** LADDER MATCH
- D** CASKET MATCH



8 **QUOTE ME!**
Which WWE Legend first dubbed Shawn Michaels "The Heartbreak Kid"?

- A** BATISTA
- B** MR. PERFECT
- C** RIC FLAIR

10 **MATCH 'EM!** HBK is a Grand Slam Champ, having won the titles shown below. Connect the hunks of gold to the foes Michaels beat and the years he defeated them to earn this honor.

CHAMPIONSHIP	OPPONENT	YEAR
I-C TITLE	THE HEADSHRINKERS	1996
WWE TAG TITLES	THE BRITISH BULLDOG	1994
WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT	BRET HART	1992

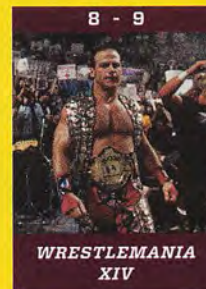
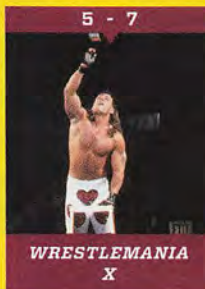
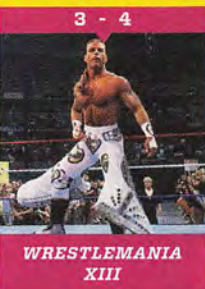
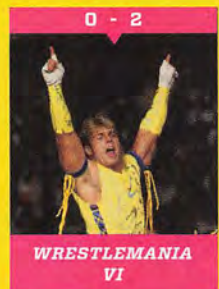
9 **NAME THE DIVA!**
Can you identify this former Diva who not only managed HBK, but also lent vocals for the original recording of his entrance song?



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RATING SCALE

TIME'S UP!
Use the key below to check your answers, then total up your points to determine which of Shawn Michaels' *Mania* gear you're worthy of wearing!





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All styles of the WWE Championship Belt feature an actual spinning center plate!! Adult & Kid size belts are exact-scale replicas made of simulated leather. Medallions are made of metal, 2mm thick. The Adult-size replica fits up to a 46-inch waist and the Kid-size replica fits up to a 34-inch waist. The Mini-replica belts are made from the same material as the Adult-size replica belts. Mini-replicas are 12 inches long, and can be used as a wristband or for desktop display. All Deluxe & Ultra-Deluxe belts are exact-scale replicas made of genuine leather. Deluxe medallions are made of metal, 4mm thick. Each Deluxe belt fits up to a 46-inch waist. *For all Adult Size, Deluxe Size, Kid Size & Replica Belts that have nameplates, please specify the style and size belt the nameplate is for.

New Tag Team Championship Belt

are made of metal, 2mm thick. Ultra-deluxe medallions are made of metal, 4mm thick. Each Deluxe belt fits up to a 46-inch waist.

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AA	WWE Tag Team Championship	WWEB37	\$349.00	WWEBK37	\$199.00			WWEUB37	\$599.00
A	"Spinning" WWE Championship	WWEB27	\$369.00	WWEBK27	\$199.00	WWEDB27	\$499.00	WWEUB27	\$599.00
B	WWE World Heavyweight Championship	WWEB17	\$279.00	WWEBK17	\$169.00	WWEDB17	\$399.00	WWEUB17	\$599.00
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D	WWE Divas Championship	WWEB35	\$299.00			WWEDB35	\$499.00		
E	Classic Undisputed WWE Championship	WWEB12	\$299.00	WWEBK12	\$169.00	WWEDB12	\$399.00	WWEUB12	\$599.00
F	WWE Intercontinental Championship	WWEB18	\$279.00	WWEBK18	\$169.00	WWEDB18	\$399.00	WWEUB18	\$599.00
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N	Classic "Attitude Era" WWE Championship	WWEB20	\$279.00	WWEBK20	\$169.00	WWEDB20	\$399.00	WWEUB20	\$599.00
O	Classic "Smoking" Skull" WWE Championship	WWEB15	\$279.00	WWEBK15	\$169.00	WWEDB15	\$399.00	WWEUB15	\$599.00
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X	Classic WCW United States Championship	WCWB3	\$279.00	WCWBK3	\$169.00			WCWUB3	\$599.00
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THE GAME CHANGER



Triple H returns to a distinctly different WWE than the one he left in 2010. In his first *WWE Magazine* interview in three years, The King of Kings sizes up his latest competition, talks about starring in the new film, *The Chaperone*, reveals what Shawn Michaels has really been up to since *WrestleMania*, and explains when, if ever, he'll leave the ring for good.

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ou're returning to WWE after a slew of top guys have left the company. Does the landscape feel that much different to you?

It does. I'd been in the ring a million times with a lot of the guys who left. Now, when you look at Wade Barrett or The Miz, these are guys that I've never been in the ring with. Do I know them? Sure, I see them all the time, but from an in-ring standpoint, I just know them the way everybody else knows them. I've never had my hands on them.

Does that present any new challenges for you?

In a way, but then again, I didn't know Batista when he first walked in the door, either. But through the process of him being a member of Evolution and being in the ring with him, I got to know him very well. The big difference

now is that I'm walking in as a WWE veteran from almost a different era in the business. Really, the only guys left are myself and Undertaker. We were here before The Attitude Era, we helped usher in The Attitude Era, we watched The Attitude Era go away, and we're still here now.

What's your take on the current state of the WWE locker room?

There are a lot of young guys with a lot of energy running around, but they really don't know where they're going or how they're going to get there yet. Guys like Undertaker and myself have a much clearer vision of where you want to go and what you've got to do to get there.

So do you think that a lot of these younger Superstars need guidance?

Here's the difference: When I broke into the business, you



(above)
BATTILING THE CELTIC WARRIOR, THE VERY MAN WHO SIDELINED TRIPLE H FOR MOST OF 2010.

walked into the locker room, and there were 20 veterans and three green guys. Now, you walk into our locker room and there are 30 green guys and two veterans. When I came in, I was working 300 days a year with Razor Ramon, Bret Hart, Shawn Michaels, Diesel, Undertaker and Yokozuna. I had a plethora of guys to learn from. They weren't pulling me aside and teaching me, but you couldn't help but learn from being in the ring with them. You're getting beat up by the best every day and learning all the time. That was the difference. Often these new guys struggle to pick up the fundamentals of the business because they're just being told what to do. No one is in the ring with them, which is the only way you learn.

In your opinion, what's missing from WWE in 2011?

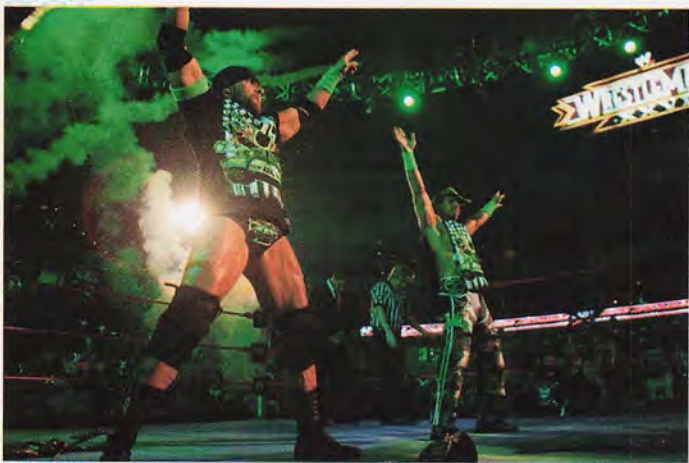
I feel like there is no "Destroyer." There's nobody who, when his music hits, the other guy in the ring goes, "Oh no." When Undertaker's bell hits, people know that, to quote J.R., "Business is about to pick up." When you hear that guitar riff and Lemmy says, "Time to play the game," you know business is about to pick up. I don't think you have that now.

How will your next run as a WWE Superstar differ from previous ones?

In the past, my goal was just becoming WWE Champion or World Heavyweight Champion. But there's a certain time when you get beyond that. Shawn moved beyond that. Shawn didn't have to be in contention for a championship. I don't have to be contending for a championship. Undertaker doesn't have to be in contention. We've moved beyond needing a title to prove that we're the best. That's where I am now. Cena will eventually be there, but right now, he's still smack dab in the middle of the hunt.

If we told you three years ago that The Miz would one day be champion, would you have believed us?

I don't believe you now! If you were to go back and show me a video of The Miz, just enough for me to get to know who he is, and then told me he was World Champion, I would have punched you in the face. I would have said never in a million years. But I will say this about The Miz: He's earned the right to be where he is through hard work. That kid works his butt off.



(above)
THE FINAL INCARNATION OF D-GENERATION X, DURING THEIR 2010 RUN.



FACT!
Triple H has won a record four Elimination Chamber Matches.



(above)
A SCENE FROM *THE CHAPERONE*, WITH CO-STAR ARIEL WINTER OF *MODERN FAMILY*.



(above)
THE GAME'S LAST WWE CHAMPIONSHIP WIN.



(above)
HBK'S FINAL, EMOTIONAL NIGHT IN WWE.

As a guy who's been a part of two legendary stables, DX and Evolution, where do you think The Nexus ranks in terms of longevity?

The jury's still out. DX lasted from 1997 through 2010. The only reason it's dead is because Shawn retired. Does The Nexus have that kind of staying power? I don't know. In Evolution, we had a 16-time World Champion, a 13-time World Champion, as well as Batista, who went on to become a six-time World Champion, and Randy Orton, who would go on to be a seven-time World Champion. The Nexus is a group of guys who made a massive impact on the business walking in the door, but can they maintain that? I think they have the potential.

What are your criteria for a successful stable, and does The Nexus have it?

I always judge groups by asking what happens to the guys who are in the group when they leave. Edge had guys, Kurt Angle had guys, and they were all supposed to be the big, massive stable that never materialized. When they broke up, the key guy stayed the key guy, and the rest just rode off into the sunset. D-Generation X, in all its forms, was popular. In The Four Horsemen, you had Arn Anderson and Ric Flair, Tully Blanchard and Ole Anderson, Barry Windham or Lex Luger, guys who were all big stars in their own right. You split The Nexus apart now, and I don't know what happens to David Otunga. I don't know what happens to Justin Gabriel and Heath Slater. It's too early to tell.

You've recently branched out into acting, starring in *The Chaperone*. What have you learned from your movie-making experiences?

Well, when I made *Blade: Trinity*, I was in a different place in my life. While I enjoyed making the film, it couldn't hold a candle to what I did in the ring. I couldn't wait to get done so that I could go back to work. I got offered a three-picture deal when that movie came out, and I turned it down because it wasn't what I wanted to do. This time, I was able to enjoy the experience more. It wasn't the "I can't wait to get back" mentality. I knew the wrestling business was still there. I never take it for granted, but I'm comfortable taking the time to make movies. It still doesn't compare to being in the ring.

This past spring, you watched Shawn Michaels retire. How hard was it to say goodbye to someone with whom you basically spent your entire career?

It was bittersweet. Shawn and I had talked for years about how we never wanted to be the two guys who hung around too long. We wanted to be the guys who, when we said we were done, we were done. And we made a pact that if we got to that point and one of us didn't recognize it on our own, the other would say, "Dude, hang it up." So it was awesome for me to see Shawn go out on his terms. We have had a unique relationship—there were times in my life when I saw him more than anyone else. We still talk all the time, though.

In your conversations, has Shawn ever told you whether he'll return to the ring?

Shawn has no intention of wrestling. For all the calls he gets begging him to come back, as of this moment, he has no intention of ever putting his trunks on and wrestling again. And he's at peace with that, which is awesome.

When you retire for good, do you think you'll make the same clean break?

I hope so. Look, if I can't do this the way I feel like I should be able to, then I want to be done. And I don't want to come back here and tarnish that. I don't want to do the nostalgia run where I come out and say I'm the greatest in the world. There was a time when I would have argued that I was the best in this business. When I don't feel like I can perform at that level, I don't want to do it anymore. I don't want to be just a guy in the ring. I want to be *the* guy in the ring.

"It was awesome to see Shawn go out on his terms. We have had a unique relationship—there were times when I saw him more than anyone else."



The Chaperone releases 2/18/11 in a limited engagement.



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1

LOOK BETTER BY COMPARISON

Good managers are no strangers to sequins or boas. They've mastered the so-called "peacocking" strategy—the tactic of dressing outlandishly to attract attention—they know how to get you noticed. As a collateral benefit, his or her garish clothes also serve as a distraction from your lame pleated chinos, powder-blue buttondown and penny loafers. You'll always look sharp by comparison!



FACT!
Capt. Lou Albano managed more than 50 Superstars during his career.

Are you lonely? Is your life stuck in neutral? Then maybe you need to hire someone like Bobby "The Brain" Heenan, Capt. Lou Albano or Sensational Sherri, who've overseen countless Superstars and Divas. If they could shepherd our talent, imagine what they could do for you!

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2 Tag In A Helping Hand

A manager can make over your looks, your outward behavior, and your reputation, but he can't change the one thing that makes you unique: your soul. OK, so you're not a merciless monster like Kane or a conniving jerk like The Miz. No problem. Let your handler match you with a partner who is! Need to deal with a bully in school? Are creditors calling you night and day? Outsource the problem to your ferocious new teammate, and reap the rewards while doing half the work, or none at all. He takes all the risks, and you maintain your good rep.

3 Find A New Voice

Did you know more people are afraid of public speaking than of dying? It's true! People fear the spotlight. If you're phobic about, say, giving a PowerPoint presentation in front of your boss and coworkers or cutting a promo in front of the WWE Universe, just hand over the speaking duties to your personal mouthpiece. He'll not only express your message loud and clear (and sometimes through a megaphone), he'll suffer the repercussions for it, too.





4 SHOP TILL HE DROPS

Handlers are just that—human handles for carrying all your belongings, including luggage, cell phones, groceries, jackets (in some cases, sequined robes), and even title belts. Stuff piles up; it's heavy, and a serious pain to carry through airport security checks. Save your strength, and focus on more important things. You owe it to yourself. After all, you're already carrying a hefty load—specifically, the weight of the world on your shoulders.

employed The Coach, and RVD worked with Bill Alfonso. Look what those guys did for their Superstars!

7 Get Your Message Out

Ever heard the saying, "Even bad press is good press?" That's not always true, especially when it comes to getting dumped, fired or arrested. If your reputation is about to take a huge hit, hire the best spin doctors in the business: WWE managers. They'll make all the right excuses for you, twist others' words against them, and then recast your shortcomings as strengths. You could be the scum of the earth, but by the time your representative is done singing your praises, people will look at you as though you're the second coming of Mother Teresa herself. Praise, you!

8 Sport Some Eye Candy On Your Arm

Sometimes the best managers aren't even men at all. Call them "womanagers." The "gentler sex" may employ subtler tactics than men, but they're just as effective at getting results. And while Sensational Sherri led many Superstars (including HBK and The Million Dollar Man) to unprecedented levels of success, might we suggest someone who's more Elizabethan in looks? A real knockout can soften your image and make passersby gawk and wonder, "What's she doing with a guy like that?" Who knows, this new relationship could possibly blossom into a romance. Be warned, though: Results may vary. She might just be into you for the money. <Cough!> Maryse. <Cough!>

5 Let Them Perform Your Dirty Work

Whether you're looking for a promotion, a new apartment or a WWE Championship, there's no level a manager won't sink to in order to get you what you want. Trust us, *Dirty Jobs'* Mike Rowe has nothing on these guys. Your handler will go all *Shawshank Redemption* on your competition if necessary, and crawl through miles of sewage just so that you can keep your hands clean.

Your conscience, on the other hand, is another story.

6 Shape Up

Short of wearing a girdle, the best way to tone your body in a hurry is to adopt a rigorous exercise regimen. If you lack the willpower to keep a workout schedule, let a manager/trainer whip you into peak physical condition. He'll reshape that gelatinous mass encircling your waist in no time. Mr. Perfect

**THE DOS AND DON'TS OF
HIRING A MANAGER
SCORE THE BEST CORNER
MAN WITH THESE TIPS.**



DO Look for a manager who's fond of pointing to his head. This is his way of indicating he's a genius and that he has some sort of plan...even when he doesn't.



DON'T Hire a manager who's a family member. Blood is thicker than water, and often just thick. Let Shelton Benjamin's experiment with Mama serve as a warning.



DO Hire a manager who wears sunglasses at all hours. He's not only protecting his peepers from harmful UV rays, he's keeping a watchful eye on you.



FACT!

Divas should not be called "valets"—that term specifically refers to men only.

9 HIRE AN INTERPRETER

When traveling abroad, it's always best to blend in with the locals and avoid looking like a tourist. Why risk irritating the natives by butchering their language and customs, and delivering potentially insulting turns of phrase? From Kim Chee to Armando Estrada, a good manager understands the most obscure dialects in the most distant lands...from Bangladesh to Boston. Who else is going to tell you to pass on that the whale blubber burger?

10 Build Your Brand

Managers know how to repackage people, and turn them into something bigger and better than their lowly Version 1.0 selves. They'll treat you like a hunk of Play-Doh and mold you into a masterful work of art. Whether it's the addition of face paint and tassels, or a change in attitude and scenery, an experienced manager is a brand-building specialist. Who knows, with enough exposure you might

even score your own T-shirt and action figure. Think of all the cash you'll bank from the royalties alone. Just make sure your manager takes no more than his fair share.

11 Be Entertained

Some managers are deadly serious, such as The Four Horseman's classic fight man J.J. Dillon. Others are warm and inviting, such as The Macho Man's lovely Ms. Elizabeth. But if you're looking for a guy who can provide a little companionship and deliver a good laugh now and then, hire someone along the lines of Paul Ellering, who managed The Legion of Doom—with a ventriloquist dummy by his side. Or the ever-entertaining Slick, who knows some really sweet dance moves. Trust us: There will never be a dull moment during your long HOV lane ride to work.



DON'T Hire a manager who's more physically intimidating than you are. Ask Shawn Michaels how that worked out with Diesel back in the day. Not so good for HBK.



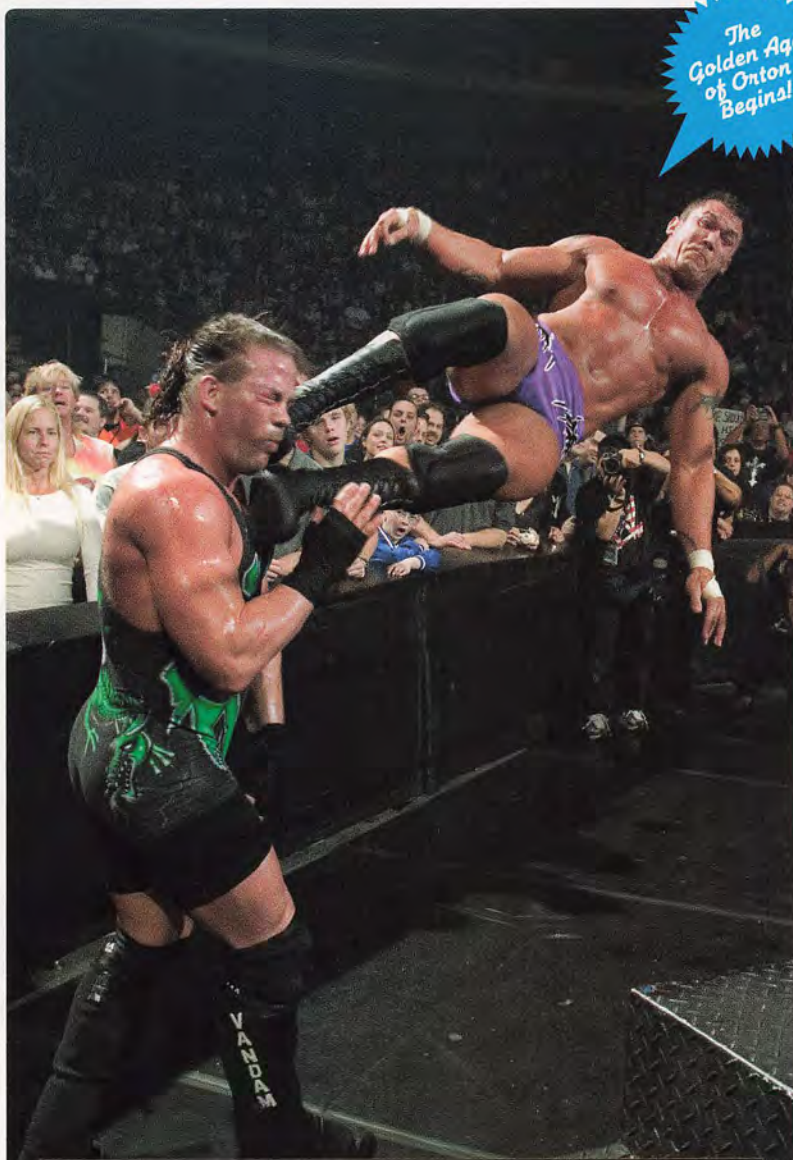
12 MAKE YOUR (UNREASONABLE) DEMANDS KNOWN

Rock stars' agents add riders to their contracts, which are lists of stipulations that promoters must fulfill before a concert can take place. Who's representing *your* outlandish needs? Let a manager make Diva-like demands on your behalf, especially for stuff you'd be too embarrassed to ask for in person. Want some fresh lemonade from a kid's local stand, at one-fifth the original price? Get The Mouth of the South in your corner. Done and done!



Life is full of firsts (e.g., kisses, jobs, cars), but only an elite group of Superstars can add “winning a championship” to the list. In WWE, a wrestler’s virgin run at defending the gold is a career-changing moment that elevates the Superstar in his own mind and the minds of fans. But don’t take our word for it—listen to Randy Orton, Sheamus, The Miz, Kofi Kingston, Cody Rhodes, Drew McIntyre, William Regal, Daniel Bryan, Ezekiel Jackson, Dolph Ziggler, Zack Ryder and The Nexus, as they transport us back to the first time they hoisted a title above their heads, and describe the thrill of finally realizing their lifelong dream.

The Golden Age of Orton Begins!



RANDY ORTON

On defeating Rob Van Dam for the Intercontinental Championship, 12/14/03

“I think that title win against RVD was my most memorable because it was the first major championship win in my career. I remember when I won, Ric Flair was there in my corner, and he snapped the title around my waist, which was pretty cool. Then, of course, there was the whole process of going through security at airports. A giant, metal Intercontinental Championship tends to get noticed.”



SHEAMUS

On defeating John Cena in a Tables Match, 12/13/09

“It was a pretty nerve-racking day. In FCW, I’d perform in front of 300 people. This night, I competed in front of thousands. Nobody believed I was going to beat Cena. And when I did, it was unbelievable. Some Superstars were disgusted. They felt I shouldn’t have gotten a title so fast. I didn’t care. I’m here to be successful, not make friends. I kept the title on the table beside my bed, and I didn’t let it out of my sight. I woke up a couple of times just to make sure it was real. This win put me on the map.”

TITLE HISTORY

The Miz held the Unified Tag Team Championship, the U.S. Title and WWE Championship in 2010.



THE MIZ

On winning the WWE Tag Team Championships with John Morrison, 11/16/07

“I hadn’t won a title yet, and I never thought I would because everyone looked at me like I was some kind of jobber. JBL laid into us backstage about what he thought we did wrong. I’m hiding in the back, nodding, and saying, ‘Yes sir, yes sir.’ Morrison, however, pulls off his jacket and says, ‘You wanna go?’ He pushes JBL. JBL pushes back. A fight breaks out. This was supposed to be a celebration.”



TITLE HISTORY
Kofi Kingston is only one of seven Superstars billed from outside of North America to win the Intercontinental Title.

KOFI KINGSTON

On defeating Chris Jericho for the Intercontinental Championship, 6/29/08

➤ "The weird thing is, I was having such a terrible day. I was driving to Dallas and was pulled over by the cops and given a speeding ticket. The wheel on my suitcase broke. But I guess I got all of my bad luck out of the way. I was the big surprise opponent against Jericho. Winning it really meant a lot to me. That was one of the first times I felt like I had made it as a WWE Superstar."

Second-Gen Champ!



CODY RHODES

On winning the World Tag Team Championship, 12/10/07

➤ "The first thing I remember was returning to my hotel room after the match. Good talent, or at least, *dashing* talent, always removes their gear first, and airs out their boots. Only then did I take the title out of my bag, and see that it read, 'World Tag Team Champion.' That's when it dawned on me: I've got to be the best in the world. I'd have to live up to that every night."

DREW McINTYRE

On defeating John Morrison for the Intercontinental Championship, 12/13/09

➤ "The match ended. I was on cloud nine. I could barely comprehend what happened. Then bloody Sheamus won the World Title and tried to steal my moment. It was inconsiderate of him. But afterward, we got some food together and laughed at America because we were taking over like we always said we would. I went back to my hotel room at the end of the night and laid the title across my bed and thought, 'Oh yes, I'm the man.'"



WILLIAM REGAL

On defeating Al Snow for the European Championship, 10/16/00

➤ "First of all, I'm not European—I'm *English*, and I'm very proud of it. Everybody else in the European nations is beneath me. They didn't have a British Championship at the time, so you've got to start somewhere. Al Snow was easy prey for me. Detroit was just awful, though. I went to a club there that night and had to wipe my feet on the way out. Just a dreadful place."

DANIEL BRYAN

On defeating The Miz for the U.S. Championship, 9/19/10

➤ "The thing I remember most about that night is that it felt as though I was taking a step forward. When I returned at *SummerSlam*, I wondered whether I would fall through the cracks. Then I won the title, and I thought, 'I'm going to get a real opportunity to appear on TV and show people what I can do.' The goal for any Superstar after winning is to use the gold to help elevate himself. I'm trying to make every match special and get the fans to say, 'I can't wait to see the U.S. Title Match!'"



*The Pride
of Long
Island!*



ZACK RYDER

On winning the WWE Tag Team Championship in a Fatal Four Way Match, 7/20/08

➤ "This was probably the best situation I could have asked for. The match was in Long Island at Nassau Coliseum, where I grew up. I used to sleep out in front of the arena to get tickets. It was our first time going for the WWE Tag Titles. My family and friends were there. I couldn't have asked for a better experience. I wore my title everywhere. I even brought it to the gym a few times, but I never wore it while getting 'Zacked.'"

EZEKIEL JACKSON

On defeating Christian for the ECW Championship, 2/16/10

➤ "My name is going to go down in the record books as the final ECW Champion. Negative people would dwell on the fact that I only held the title for all of three minutes, but I'm a positive person, and I don't look at it that way. Nobody's ever going to beat me for that title. It's mine. I came backstage, took a few pictures and that was it. I have no idea where the ECW Championship is right now. If you find out, let me know."



*New Titles
For The
Nexus!*

HEATH SLATER & JUSTIN GABRIEL

On winning the WWE Tag Team Championships, 10/25/10

➤ HS "The realization happens at home when you rewatch the match. I remember sitting in front of my TV and thinking, 'Look at you, Heath! Look at you, you're a champion!' I don't mind carrying the title around in my bag or pulling it out for security. It's an honor."

JG "I couldn't stop looking at the titles. They're brand-new. The first night I just carried it around in my hand. I didn't even put it in my bag on the way to the hotel."



DOLPH ZIGGLER

On defeating Kofi Kingston for the Intercontinental Championship, 8/6/10

➤ "When I won, the first thing I thought was, 'This is total BS, because I should have been champ more than a year ago.' But I finally got it. Some people get things a month into working here or 15 years later. I really should've been well on my way to becoming the greatest Intercontinental Champion of all time, and moving on to the World Championship."

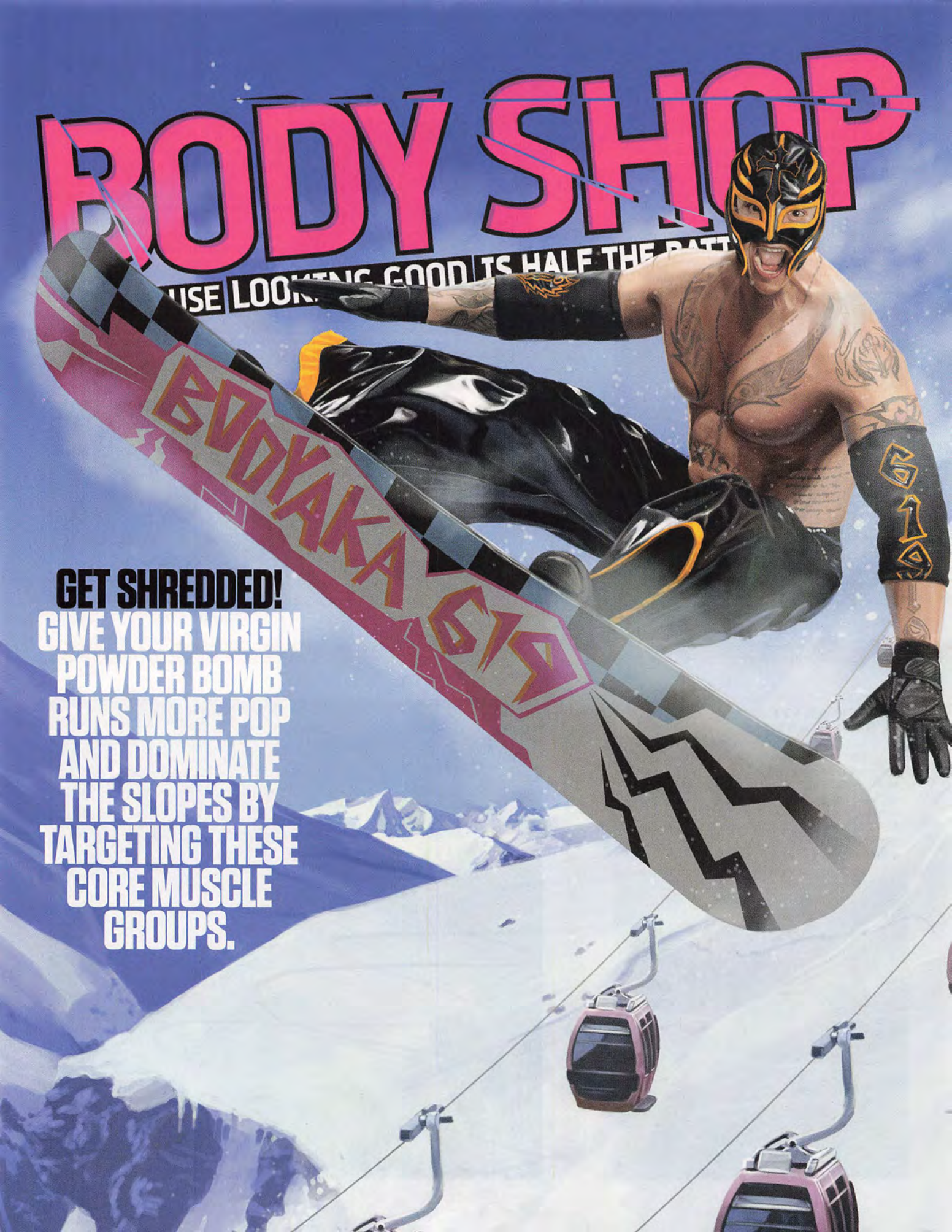


TITLE HISTORY
36.5% of all Intercontinental Championship holders have also won a World championship in WWE.

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POWDER BOMB
RUNS MORE POP
AND DOMINATE
THE SLOPES BY
TARGETING THESE
CORE MUSCLE
GROUPS.



✖ Before you can carve the mountain, you must sculpt your body. Strong quads and calves are important for supporting your weight and powering your body downhill, but according to strength and conditioning expert Rich Ruffing of Accelerated Fitness (acceleratedfts.com), the key muscles for rocking the moguls are located in the core. The following workout is not specifically designed to isolate the abdominals, torso and lower back, but rather to incorporate all of the muscles needed during Black Diamond bomb runs. Ruffing has also selected exercises that focus on hip mobility, so that you can better rotate your thighs up and down and side-to-side, and avoid embarrassing, season-ending groin injuries.

1

Low Box Terminal Knee Extensions

Three sets of 15-20 reps per leg

"This is a short-range, single-leg squat that focuses on the VMO, or *Vastus Medialis Obliquus*, which is responsible for stabilizing your kneecap," says Ruffing. Stand on a 12-inch box. Lift your left foot so that your weight is resting on the right leg. Lower the left foot until the heel barely touches the floor, flexing your opposite knee and hip to lift back up. Need more resistance? Add a cable in a low pulley position, and hold it in your left hand as you rise.

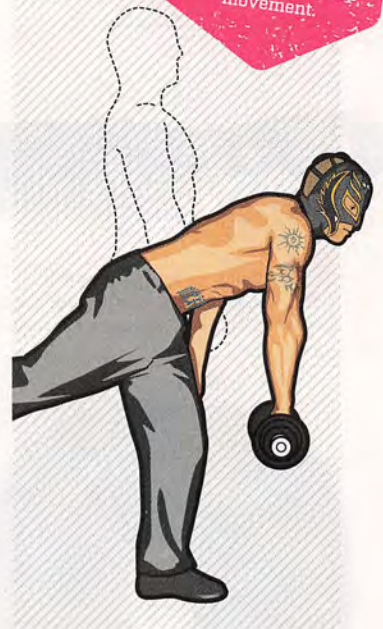


2

Single-Leg Romanian Deadlift

Three sets of 10-12 reps per leg

Ruffing recommends this core- and hip-strengthening exercise, which is also known as a "hip hinge." Stand on your right foot holding a lightweight dumbbell in your left hand (thigh-level and palm facing inward). Bend forward at the hips and lift your left leg backward for balance until you feel your hamstring stretch. Return to the starting position and repeat. Switch legs and arms to complete one set. This exercise can also be performed using two dumbbells or a barbell.



FACT!

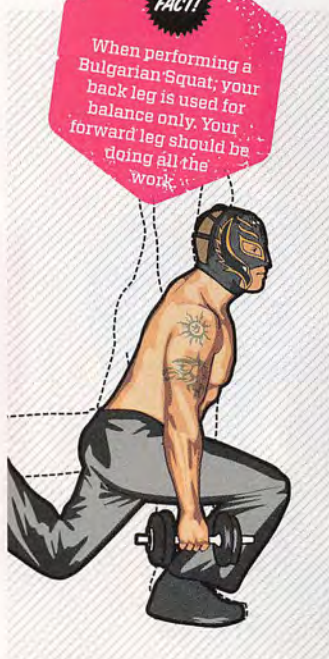
Lack of stretching leads to shortened hamstrings and hip flexors, and poor hip movement.

3

Bulgarian Squat

Three sets of 30-to-60-second holds per leg

"Up your quadriceps' endurance and strength by performing this simple exercise," says Ruffing. Place your right foot on the floor and elevate your left foot on a bench situated behind you. Lunge forward, until your left knee nearly touches the ground. Hold for 30-to-60 seconds, and then return to the starting position. Switch legs to complete one set. At first, the exercise will feel awkward. It takes practice to master. Just make sure you exhale on the ascent.



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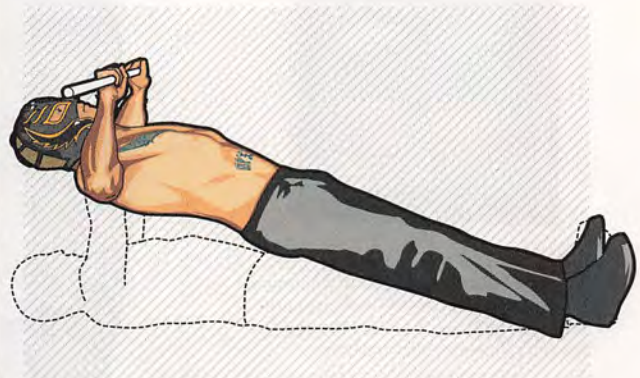
When performing a Bulgarian Squat, your back leg is used for balance only. Your forward leg should be doing all the work.

4

Inverted Row

Three sets of 10-12 reps

"Many skiing and snowboarding positions involve a forward lean," says Ruffing. "This exercise will strengthen the muscles that support this position." Raise the Smith Machine to bench press height, then lie beneath it. Grab the bar with palms facing up and pull yourself up until your chest touches the bar. Lower yourself and repeat. That's one! FYI: Inverted rows are also good for core stability, and they correct the rounded shoulder position that skiers get stuck in on a downhill run.





English Rose

"This is the national emblem of England. This one has been freshly picked. I carry a new one with me every day."



Comb

"People comment that my hair doesn't ever move in the ring, and ask how I keep it in place. Well, I use this comb."



Neck Pillow

"I'm an insomniac, and when I travel with people who snore all night, I need as much help as I can get."



iPad

"I like to listen to a lot of independent music from the UK, including such bands as The Stone Roses and The Happy Mondays. That's my kind of music."



WHAT'S IN YOUR TRAVEL BAG?

WADE BARRETT GRANTS US A GLIMPSE INSIDE HIS SUITCASE.



QUOTE!

"The U.S. government insists I also carry around my passport at all times to prove I'm here legally."



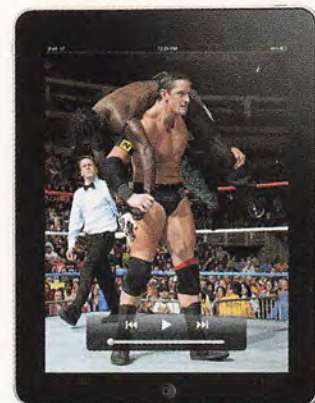
Thera-Band

"This is such a small, lightweight exercise tool, great for warming up. Basically, it's just a giant elastic band."



John Cena's Armband

"Possessing this is the pinnacle of our achievement, a symbol of our dominance and control of Ceneration."



iPad

"I like to keep up to date with all the soccer scores in England, and BBC's site gives me news from back home."



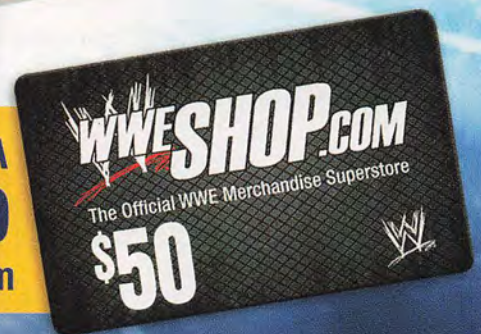
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The Nexus Armband "This is from the night we stormed onto Raw. I'm very sentimental about this armband."



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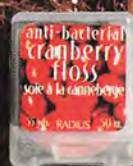
Lip Balm

No woman will engage in a slobberknocker with a guy whose lips look like dried-up Turkish figs. Coat your kissers with Badger's Lip Balms, which are 100-percent USDA Certified Organic and made from all-natural ginger, lemon and vanilla extracts. \$3, badgerbalm.com



Shaving Gel

Dr. Bronner's Organic Spearmint Peppermint Shave Gel is engineered to lift and moisturize your scruff, thanks to its exotic mix of Shikakai (a fruit native to India) and grape oil. The seven-ounce tube should easily last you a good, long while—a small dab can lather even Khali-sized mugs. \$8, drbronner.com



Dental Floss

Spun in all-natural beeswax and coated with plaque-fighting "cranberry essence from the bogs of Massachusetts," Radius' Cranberry Floss is designed to protect your gums and the environment by shipping in 100-percent biodegradable packaging. It happens to be pretty tasty, too. \$3, radiusbrush.com

Face Wash

It's winter. Protect your skin from cracking like year-old orthotics with Pangea Organics' Egyptian Calendula & Blood Orange Cleanser. Blood oranges contain properties that "degrease" your face while Calendula (a rare flower) possesses stuff that soothes red, irritated butterfaced. \$28, pangeaorganics.com



Toothbrush

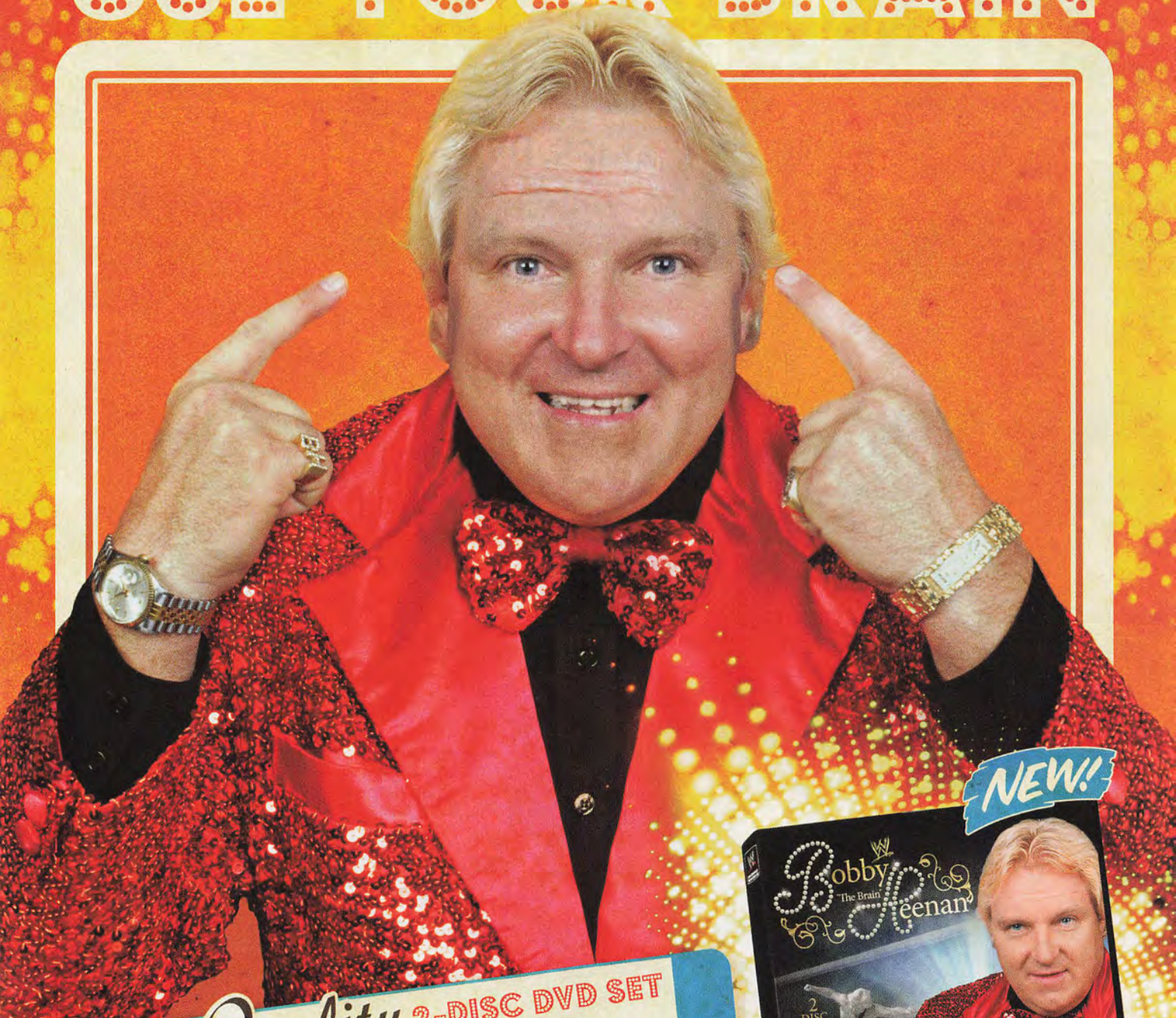
Ted DiBiase would totally dig this Radius Source Toothbrush—not because it's ergonomically sound and eco-friendly, but because it features a handle made from actual recycled dollar bills. Finally, DiBiase can put his money where his mouth is! \$19/3-pack, radiusbrush.com

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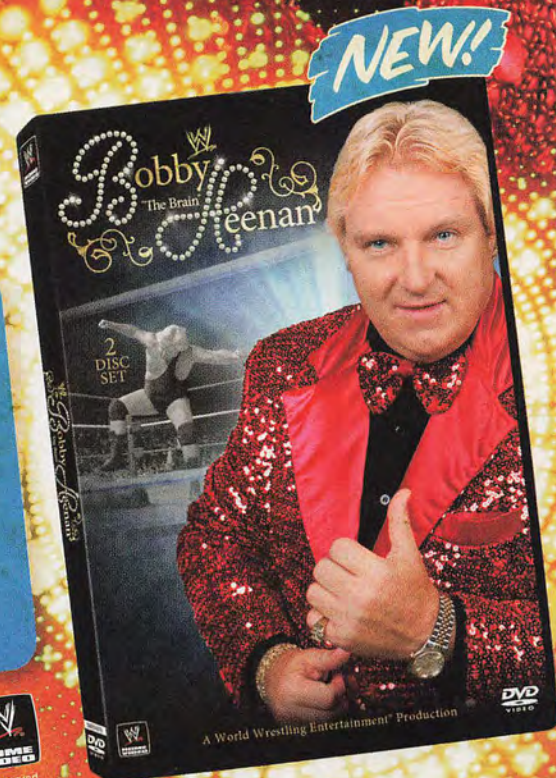
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FACT!

It is believed that the rings of Saturn will disappear entirely in 50 million years.

Dead Space 2

EA [RP]

The original *Dead Space*, set on an incapacitated mining ship, delivered nearly intolerable chills as players attempted to restore power to a derelict spacecraft. For fans of survival horror third-person shooters, it was a five-star creepfest which was equal parts puzzle-solving and run-and-gunnin'. Now it returns, once again featuring space engineer Isaac Clarke (possibly the best blue-collar hero this side of Mario the plumber), who follows the monstrous necromorph menace to a densely populated city established on Sat-

urn's moon, Titan. While it feels like a lot more of the same (power-ups, zero-G puzzles), the scares are still insanely effective. More interesting is the new multiplayer mode, pitting humans against monsters in four-on-four battles. The human side must complete story-driven tasks, while the alien side need only focus on eviscerating its prey. After a few rounds playing as a deformed killer baby creature or a shambling, acid-vomiting humanoid, chances are you'll never root for humanity again. deadspace.ea.com

JACK SWAGGER SAYS



"I'm a big fan of online gaming and I love the concept of being able to play on either side of the battle in multiplayer. Face it: It's fun to be the bad guy. And I like talking crap to 10-year-olds."

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1928

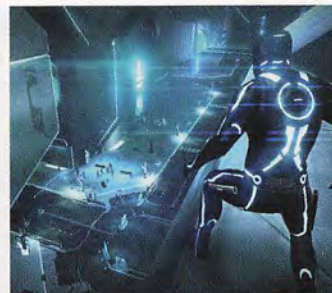
The year Mickey Mouse made his debut.

Epic Mickey

DISNEY INTERACTIVE [E]

✦ When it comes to animated characters, the grandmaster of them all, ol' Steamboat Willie, has yet to make his mark in the realm of video games, but his luck may change. Now, after a few turns in unspectacular kiddie titles, Mickey Mouse is finally getting his chance at console superstardom, courtesy of designer Warren Spector, who is better known for his gritty cyberpunk epics such as *System Shock* and *Deus Ex*. The unusual creative pairing has produced a surprisingly dark fantasy that's part platform-jumper and part RPG. Trapped in an evil version of the Magic Kingdom dubbed Wasteland, Mickey must use an enchanted paintbrush to erase and re-draw the landscape and its characters—a task made easier by the Wii's paintbrush-like controls. Deciding what to create and what to destroy adds a level of complexity, making this one of the deepest Wii games in recent memory. Beyond the gameplay, *Epic Mickey* delivers all kinds of cool historical references that'll keep you running to Wikipedia. Join this Mickey Mouse Club. epicmickey.com

4



TRON: EVOLUTION

SONY [T]

In the *TRON* chronology, *Evolution* takes place between the 1982 classic and the new sequel, *TRON: Legacy*. Its plot fills in the blanks between the two movies, and offers gamers a chance to ride light cycles and hurl light discs. disney.go.com/tron/

3



GRAN TURISMO 5

SONY [E]

The latest version of this ultra-realistic racing sim is finally here, and it comes packed with the detailed 3D graphics you'd expect to see, 1,000-plus licensed cars, real-time damage modeling, and more of the sweet, sweet same. gran-turismo.com

4

PLUG IN

BIG THING, SMALL PACKAGE

By way of the OnLive MicroConsole, PC games are finally making the leap to TV.

ONLIVE MICROCONSOLE

It sounds too good to be true—plug a tiny box into a big-screen TV and start playing the latest high-end games, without a console or computer. Believe it. OnLive's MicroConsole is here, and like Netflix online, it's capable of beaming live, real-time HD video game action to your idiot box. It sounds too crazy to work, but the early reports are encouraging. For \$99, gamers receive the MicroConsole, a wireless Xbox-style controller, and a free game! onlive.com



MASS EFFECT 2 PS3 VERSION

EA [M]

PS3 fans can finally enjoy one of the greatest RPGs of our time (originally only for Xbox and PC gamers), with its epic-sized sci-fi shootouts, revolutionary dialog system, and controversially hot alien babes. It was worth the wait! masseffect.bioware.com/

5

Sanctum

UNIVERSAL [R]

James Cameron's decades-long obsession with all things underwater continues with *Sanctum*, his executive-produced action yarn that unspools in the deep end of Australia's Gold Coast. Filmed in 3D using some of the same technical wizardry developed for *Avatar*, the flick charts the subterranean odyssey of a group of underwater spelunkers getting their aquatic jollies by exploring one of the world's most expansive and dangerous cave systems. But adventure soon turns into a survival nightmare for the explorers when a flash flood cuts off their only known exit. Tempers flare, supplies dwindle and hope rapidly fades as the group desperately traverses the cavernous prison in search of an escape that may or may not exist. *Sanctum* sounds a lot like a cross between the nightmarish *The Descent* mixed with Cameron's first aquatic adventure, *The Abyss*, minus the cannibalistic humanoids and underwater aliens. Cameron is the only big name attached to this project, but frankly, as long as the most commercially successful director of all time is on board, we're more than willing to dive in head first.

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NATALYA SAYS

"I remember seeing the shot in the trailer of the diver trapped under the ice, and I was hooked. This is a movie where you'll literally be biting your nails the entire time watching it!"



FACT!

At more than 113 miles in length, the Ox Rel Ha in Mexico is thought to be the world's longest underwater cave system.



THE RITE

WARNER BROS.®

With ol' Hannibal Lecter playing a man of the cloth, how can *The Rite* be anything but the creepiest movie in years? Inspired by a true story, this fright-fest follows a skeptical rookie priest (Colin O'Donoghue) who travels to the Vatican's secret exorcism school to train under demon-slayer Father Lucas (Anthony Hopkins). Exorcism 101 is a hands-on class, so we'll keep our fingers crossed that Linda Blair takes a turn as a guest lecturer.

3



THE MECHANIC

CBS FILMS [R]

Arthur Bishop (Jason Statham) is a mechanic—not your average Pep Boys stick dipper, but a specialist who fixes problems using expertly placed bullets. After his mentor, Harry (Donald Sutherland), is murdered, Bishop vows revenge. But when Harry's son (Ben Foster) asks Bishop to train him as an assassin, things get complicated. Sidekicks aren't Bishop's style, and making an exception here might actually kill him.

3



UNKNOWN

LIONSGATE®

Comas are a drag. One minute, you're a successful doctor (Liam Neeson) touring Berlin with your beautiful wife (January Jones). Then, suddenly, you wake up four days later, wifey has no idea who you are and some jabroni (Aidan Quinn) has taken your place. Fortunately for Dr. Martin Harris, med school included a little fight training. Watch as he pieces together the fragments of his shattered mind while busting a few skulls.

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YEARS
Trejo spent in prison
before becoming
an actor.


Machete

20TH CENTURY FOX HOME ENTERTAINMENT [R]

✦ The greatest Mexploitation flick since *Beverly Hills Chihuahua*, *Machete* lands on DVD and Blu-ray with an extra helping of deleted scenes rife with all-new characters, plot twists and unabashedly absurd action. Once just a fake movie trailer inhabiting Quentin Tarantino and Robert Rodriguez's *Grindhouse*, the now full-length Rodriguez-helmed murder spree follows the life and times of one bad hombre, Machete Cortez (Danny Trejo). Framed for the botched assassination of a corrupt U.S. Senator (Robert De Niro) and left for dead, the renegade *fed-erale* exacts ruthless, crimson-soaked revenge on the drug lord who cooked up the plan (Steven Seagal) and nearly everyone else on-screen. The bodies pile up with help from a sexy taco girl (Michelle Rodriguez) and a shotgun-toting priest (Cheech Marin). Meanwhile, a pair of immigration officers (Jessica Alba and Don Johnson) gives chase. And Lindsay Lohan plays a nun? Ridiculous, and ridiculously awesome.

5



DOLPH ZIGGLER SAYS



"I tend to like movies involving dangerous Mexicans to have classy subtitles, but this one has me interested. And since Lilo is in it I'll pick it up regardless."

MONSTERS

PARAMOUNT [R]



Filmed at breakneck speed on location with a jumpy lens and a cast of extras who had no idea they were even in a movie, *Monsters* is a gritty, near-documentary-style indie mash-up of

District 9 and *Cloverfield*. This balls-out creature feature picks up six years after a NASA space probe crash-lands in Central America with some extraterrestrial critter cargo onboard. Two Americans foolishly attempt to cross the infested quarantine zone, which is now populated by a destructive and unwelcome alien presence. And we're not talking about Spring Breakers.

4

BURIED

LIONSGATE [R]



Hollywood It-Boy Ryan Reynolds spends 95 minutes locked in a box, and much to David Blaine's chagrin, he somehow manages not to bore the audience to death. Reynolds plays Paul

Conroy, an American truck driver in Iraq (circa 2006) who awakes buried alive inside a coffin with a lighter, flask, flashlight, phone and a few other odds and ends at his disposal. The phone rings, a voice demands \$5 million for his release, and Conroy's close-quarters nightmare begins. We still think they should've cast Undertaker.

4

THIS FILM IS NOT YET RATED

MAKE THESE FAKE FLICKS

Machete began as a joke trailer in *Grindhouse*. Why not greenlight these other parodies?

✦ **"THE FATTIES: FART 2"** from *Tropic Thunder* Jack Black wears a fat suit and rips off Eddie Murphy's multiple character turn in *The Nutty Professor*. We feel a *Fatties* franchise would be preferable to *Gulliver's Travels* 2, 3 and 4.

✦ **"THANKSGIVING"** from *Grindhouse* Spoofing holiday-themed gorefests such as *Halloween* and *Black Christmas*, this Eli Roth-helmed horror movie is more main course than side dish. Plus, "White meat, dark meat...all will be carved" is a killer tag line.

✦ **"MEDELLIN"** from *Entourage*, Season 5 Cribbing shots from *Scarface*, this fake biopic saw *Entourage*'s Vincent Chase (and a fake mustache) cast as Colombian drug lord Pablo Escobar. The movie nearly ruined Vince's career, but we'd still love to see it.





Social Distortion Hard Times and Nursery Rhymes

EPITAPH

✕ Punk rock emerged as an antidote to the excesses of classic rock, but it wasn't long before bands such as Social Distortion poisoned that idea. For them, punk and rock were different sides of the same coin, a philosophy to which they continue to adhere, as evidenced by the release of *Hard Times and Nursery Rhymes*. With its bluesy swagger and gospel-inflected backing vocals, "California (Hustle and Flow)" salutes The Rolling Stones, circa *Let It Bleed*, while "Bakersfield" sounds like vintage Lynyrd Skynyrd. Steeped in traditional rock, rockabilly, country and blues, Social D also bring a defiance to their music. It's totally original—and yet still punk...at least, the way they hear it.

DANIEL BRYAN SAYS



"I like Social D. Their stuff is pretty political. Even if I don't always agree with it, I still enjoy listening."

FACT!
Social Distortion's lead singer, Mike Ness, is the only original member of the band still with the group.

FACTION FRACTURES

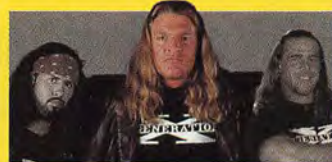
UNSTABLE STABLES

With 21 members in 32 years, Social Distortion is not unlike these famous stables.



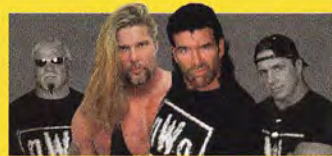
THE FOUR HORSEMEN
CONSTANT RIC FLAIR

Flair and Arn Anderson fought alongside a rotating cast of bad boys for nearly 13 years. But the name stuck. Good thing: There's nothing catchy about "The 15 Horsemen."



D-GENERATION X
CONSTANT TRIPLE H

After WMXIV, Triple H kicked Shawn Michaels out of DX and recruited X-Pac and The New Age Outlaws. HBK and Triple H reformed as DX in 2006, and again in 2009.



THE nWo
CONSTANT(S) KEVIN NASH & SCOTT HALL

Before The nWo officially split into two factions, they were the most potent entity in WCW. They were so powerful, Mr. McMahon hired them to do his bidding in 2002.

THE GET-UP KIDS There Are Rules

QUALITY HILL



The Get-Up Kids are some of emo's unsung godfathers: They arrived and disappeared before bands like Fall Out Boy made it big business. Reunited here, they've roughed up their earnest, pained rock charms with a lot of synths, skittering beats and some dissonant

noise. It's not a major leap forward, but the Kids haven't spent the last six years sitting still.



DRIVE-BY TRUCKERS Go-Go Boots

ATO



The D.B.T. have become reliable purveyors of sharp, skuzzy, emotive rock 'n' roll, but *Go-Go Boots* turns down the volume and shines a light on the band's country, soul and blues roots. The songs here rarely announce themselves with a blast. They're subtle. Yet even without

the obvious hooks, the album has a way of drawing you in, slowly, until it has you in its grasp.



GREGG ALLMAN Low Country Blues

ROUNDER



The back-to-roots album is a staple of any artist past his prime looking for late-game inspiration. But this collection of blues covers from Gregg Allman is something more. Allman can't belt out his vocals the way he could 30 years ago, which may be for the better. Here,

he's forced to inhabit these tunes and channel their pain, rather than just overpower them.



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THE CLOSEST YOU'LL GET TO THE RING
WITHOUT BEING BETWEEN THE ROPES

INSIDE!

Edge Drives
Kane Nuts

*

John Cena
Is Fired

*

Sheamus Takes The
Throne As KOTR

*

Raw Goes
Old-School

FACT!

The Miz is only the second Superstar to cash in his MITB opportunity on Raw! The first? CM Punk.

New WWE Champion!



The Miz Takes A Wounded Viper To The Bank, Ushering In The Age Of Awesomeness

Randy Orton never had a chance to catch his breath following his grueling title defense against Wade Barrett. Right after the match, The Miz rushed the ring and cashed in his Money In The Bank contract. Though he was still reeling from the beatdown he suffered at the hands of The Nexus earlier in the evening, Orton somehow found his second wind. But just as The Viper went to deliver his signature RKO, The Miz locked Orton's arms behind his head and nailed a Skull-Crushing Finale for the win. Awesome? **11/22 Raw**

Lawler Scores A World Title Shot



Kaitlyn Wins WWE NXT



The Hart Dynasty Crumbles



Survivor Series Results



And Much More!

"Quote" Them on It!

The month's most memorable barks and remarks.

"I TOOK YOUR LITTLE HERO, YOUR LITTLE ACTION FIGURE, SGT. SLAUGHTER, AND MADE HIM CRY."

—Alberto Del Rio, taunting the crowd. 11/19 *SmackDown*



"HE DOES THIS EVERY WEEK!"

—CM Punk, marveling at Daniel Bryan's oft-unsuccessful suicide dive from the ring. 11/29 *Raw*



"IF ANYONE EVER SAYS YOU CAN'T LIVE YOUR DREAM, BELIEVE HIM OR HER. BECAUSE YOU CAN'T."

—The Miz, providing a few wise words to the fans. 11/29 *Raw*



"IT'S GOOD TO BE KING!"

—Sheamus, explaining the perks of winning the King Of The Ring tourney. 12/6 *Raw*



"MORE PEOPLE FOR ME TO CRUSH."

—Vladimir Kozlov, on how he must defend the WWE Tag Team Titles on all shows. 12/10 *SmackDown*



That's not how you hug!

Feud Of The Month



Edge Kidnaps Paul Bearer And Drives The Big Red Monster Nuts

At *Survivor Series*, Edge leveled Kane with a Spear, only to collapse on top of him. Both men's shoulders hit the mat, which forced the referee to rule the contest a draw and allowed Kane to retain his championship. Determined to win the gold, The Rated-R Superstar tormented The Devil's Favorite Demon in the weeks leading up to their rematch at *WWE TLC: Tables, Ladders & Chairs* by holding Paul Bearer hostage. Was it wrong of us to take pleasure in watching The Big Red Monster blow his stack? **11/21 *Survivor Series***



11/15 Giant Center Hershey, PA

- Dolph Ziggler & Mark Henry
- Justin Gabriel & Heath Slater & The Hart Dynasty
- Ezekiel Jackson & The Brooklyn Brawler
- John Cena & Alex Riley
- Santino Marella & Vladimir Kozlov & The Usos
- Kofi Kingston & David Otunga

- Wade Barrett & R-Truth
- Alberto Del Rio & Sgt. Slaughter
- Mae Young & Michelle McCool & Layla
- Daniel Bryan & Jack Swagger

11/28 Amway Center Orlando, FL

- Sheamus & R-Truth in a King Of The Ring Qualifying Match

- Ezekiel Jackson & Alex Riley in a King Of The Ring Qualifying Match
- Daniel Bryan & Ted DiBiase in a King Of The Ring Qualifying Match
- Natalya & Alicia Fox
- John Morrison & Tyson Kidd in a King Of The Ring Qualifying Match
- Randy Orton & Wade Barrett
- The Miz & Randy Orton

11/29 Wells Fargo Center Philadelphia, PA

- Alberto Del Rio & Daniel Bryan
- John Morrison & Cody Rhodes
- Ezekiel Jackson vs. Drew McIntyre (Double Countout)
- Mark Henry & Yoshi Tatsu & Justin Gabriel & Heath Slater
- John Morrison & Alberto

- Del Rio
- Natalya, Gail Kim & Melina & Maryse, Alicia Fox & Tamina
- Sheamus & John Morrison
- The Miz & Jerry "The King" Lawler in a Tables, Ladders & Chairs Match

12/6 KFC Yum Center Louisville, KY

- Daniel Bryan & Brie Bella & Ted DiBiase & Maryse

Saddest Moment!

Cena Loses His Job; Barrett Falls To Orton

Heading into *Survivor Series*, we had no idea what John Cena would do as guest ref for the WWE Championship bout. He could help Barrett win, and free himself of The Nexus forever; or he could allow The Viper to win, and leave WWE forever. In the end, The Chain Gang Commander called the contest down the middle, remaining true to his words. After The Viper delivered an RKO to Barrett for the victory, Cena received his walking papers. Wonder if he'd consider a stint as a magazine editor?

11/21 Survivor Series

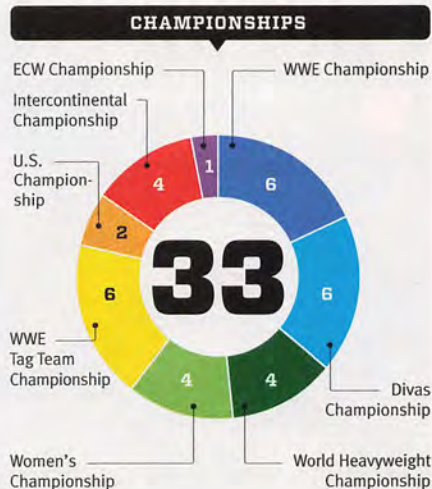


FACT!

John Cena was the fourth Superstar to receive the boot by Nexus leader Wade Barrett.

WWE's New Champions...

As of press time,* WWE gold has changed hands a total of 33 times in 2010 alone. Here's a breakdown of the year's title swaps...



*12/17/10

Monday Night Goes Old-School!

WWE Hosts A Night Of Legends, Blue Ring Steps And Retro-Raw Goodness

For a single night, WWE brought the Manhattan Center to Hershey, PA, for a special, three-hour old-school *Raw*. From the ring and the entranceway to "Mean" Gene and the promos, members of the WWE Universe were transported to the WWE of yesteryear...and we loved every minute of it. Our favorite highlights included Mark Henry's reprise of his Sexual Chocolate persona, Mae Young silencing Lay-Cool, and "Rowdy" Roddy Piper delivering a gripping promo about the legacy of the WWE Championship. As The Rowdy One has said all along, old-school is cool. **11/15 Raw**



Now going by "Physically Attractive Chocolate."



- Tyson Kidd & David Hart Smith
- Santino Marella & Vladimir Kozlov & Justin Gabriel & Heath Slater, The Usos and Mark Henry & Yoshi Tatsu in a Fatal Four Way Elimination Tag Team Match
- Natalya & Melina
- Randy Orton & Alex Riley (DQ)

SMACKDOWN

11/19 The Coliseum Richmond, VA

- MVP & Drew McIntyre
- Jack Swagger & Chris Masters
- Kaval & Dolph Ziggler
- Cody Rhodes & Kofi Kingston
- Michelle McCool & Layla & Kelly Kelly & Natalya
- Big Show & Tyler Reks
- Rey Mysterio vs. Alberto Del Rio (No Contest)

- Team Rey Mysterio & Team Alberto Del Rio in a 10-Man *Survivor Series* Showdown Battle Royal

11/26 Veteran's Memorial Arena Jacksonville, FL

- Kofi Kingston & Jack Swagger in a King Of The Ring Qualifying Match
- Alberto Del Rio & Big Show in a King Of The


Ring Qualifying Match (Countout)

- Drew McIntyre & MVP in a King Of The Ring Qualifying Match
- Kelly Kelly & Michelle McCool
- Cody Rhodes & Rey Mysterio in a King Of The Ring Qualifying Match

12/3 Norfolk Scope Arena; Norfolk, VA

- Dolph Ziggler & Drew McIntyre & MVP & Kaval
- Kofi Kingston & Jack Swagger
- Cody Rhodes & Chris Masters
- Layla & Rosa Mendes
- Edge & Kane

All Hail, King Sheamus!

 **The Celtic Warrior Is Crowned WWE Royalty**

After nearly a two-year absence, the King Of The Ring tournament returned for a special three-hour edition of *Raw*. Superstars from both rosters competed, with Sheamus dispatching Kofi Kingston in the first round and sailing through to the finals when Ezekiel Jackson and Drew McIntyre were both counted out. The Celtic Warrior ultimately faced off against The Monday Night Delight, John Morrison, who had previously defeated Cody Rhodes and Alberto Del Rio. Though The Shaman of Sexy fought fearlessly, in the end, he was no match for the well-rested Sheamus. **11/29 Raw**

QUOTE!

"Everyone should get on their hands and knees and kiss the ground I walk on."
—Sheamus

ROYAL PERKS

Fit For A King

Kings Always Score Some Cool Garb, But Why Not These Regal Bonuses, Too?

- 1 A chance to sup from the *WWE Bragging Rights* trophy
- 2 The service of **Hornswoggle**, who'd act as the royal footrest
- 3 Periodic fanning, courtesy of **Melina** and her feather fans
- 4 24-hour bodyguard service, courtesy of **Ezekiel Jackson**
- 5 A ballad of the king's accomplishments, as sung by **Tamina** on her ukulele



"Mind the hair."

Worst Breakup!

Tyson Kidd Punctuates The Hart Dynasty's Demise With A Kick To DH Smith's Head

Tyson Kidd couldn't hide his frustration at The Hart Dynasty's losing streak any longer. During a match against The Nexus on *Raw*, Kidd not only avoided a tag from Smith, he tattooed his partner with a kick to the forehead. Kidd then walked off, leaving The Nexus to mop up the ring with the third-gen Superstar. **11/15 Raw**



SMACKDOWN

(cont.)

12/10 Nutter Center Dayton, OH

- Jack Swagger & Kaval
- Hornswoggle & The Swagger Soaring Eagle
- Kofi Kingston & Dolph Ziggler (DQ)
- Chris Masters & Cody Rhodes in a Masterlock Challenge
- Santino Marella & Vladimir Kozlov & Chavo Guerrero & Drew McIntyre

- Natalya & Layla
- Kane & Alberto Del Rio vs. Edge & Rey Mysterio (No Contest)
- Edge & Rey Mysterio & Alberto Del Rio

NXT

11/16 The Coliseum Richmond, VA

- A.J. won the How Well Do You Know Your WWE Pro? Challenge
- Naomi & Kaitlyn
- A.J. & Aksana
- Naomi won the Diss The Diva Challenge


11/23 Veteran's Memorial Arena Jacksonville, FL

- A.J. won the WWE Trivia Challenge
- Nikki Bella & Kaitlyn
- A.J. & Naomi
- Kaitlyn won the Last Sumo Standing Challenge

11/30 Norfolk Scope Arena; Norfolk, VA

- The Bella Twins & A.J. & Alicia Fox, Maxine & Aksana

Between The Ropes

 The Month's Highest Spots And Lowest Splats

OFF
THE TOP
ROPE!



John Morrison interrupts Sheamus' regal address, and sends The Celtic Warrior hurtling through his throne. **12/6 Raw**

THE
GOOD!



CM Punk makes a much welcome addition to the announce team. **11/22 Raw**



WWE NXT's A.J. debuts a punishing new submission, the Octopus. **11/16 WWE NXT**



Santino Marella and Vladimir Kozlov are your new WWE Tag Team Champions. Well-deserved, gentlemen. **12/6 Raw**



Beth Phoenix returns from injury, and sets her sights on Lay-Cool, the pair who stole her Divas Title. **11/21 Survivor Series**

THE
BAD!



Kaitlyn posts a goose egg in the WWE Trivia Challenge. **11/23 WWE NXT**



Wade Barrett taunts The Champ with his signature gesture as he leaves the arena. **11/22 Raw**



Former WWE Tag Team Champ and Nexus lackey Justin Gabriel succumbs to recent trends by sporting a bad-dude beard. **11/29 Raw**



"Cowboy" Bob Orton dons his signature cast during "Old-School" Raw. Will that left arm ever heal? **11/15 Raw**

THE
UGLY!



Tyson Kidd's new, seven-foot-tall bodyguard dismantles DH Smith. **12/6 Raw**



Alex Riley is so proud of his bluetooth headset, he's compelled to show it to Daniel Bryan. **11/29 Raw**



The Swagger Soaring Eagle receives a Glam Slam and a Tadpole Splash. Cruelty to mascots is unconscionable under any circumstances! **12/3, 12/10 SmackDown**



CM Punk and Michael Cole announce sans table. What should they do with their hands? **11/29 Raw**

THE
AWFUL!



The Nexus attack Randy Orton prior to his title defense against Wade Barrett, leaving The Viper vulnerable. **11/22 Raw**

Better-Late-Than-Never Award

The King Gets A WWE Championship TLC Match For His Birthday!

Jerry Lawler has held titles in nearly every promotion in his career, but he's never once competed for the WWE Title. The King received his opportunity on his 61st birthday in a TLC Match against the newly minted WWE Champ, The Miz. And Jerry nearly won, too, but Michael Cole inexplicably distracted The King long enough for The Miz to recover and score the cheap win. **11/29 Raw**



FACT!

Before Lawler competed in his TLC Match at age 61, the previous oldest Superstar to do so was Ric Flair, at 55 years old!

The TLC Curse?

Escaping a TLC Match with WWE gold around your waist is bad luck for Superstars. Here's the proof...



They're going to need a minute...

In eight of the nine previously contested TLC bouts in WWE, Superstars who prevailed in the brutal stipulation lost their titles within an average of 28 days. You've been warned, Miz!

Biggest Beatdown(s)!



The Champ Scores Some Revenge Against The Nexus

John Cena warned Wade Barrett about cutting corners, but The Nexus leader refused to listen. So the recently unemployed Chain Gang Commander set out to teach the surly Englishman and his goons a lesson. He started with Michael McGillicutty, whom he attacked backstage. Then he interfered in Heath Slater and Justin Gabriel's tag team bout, putting the ginger-headed tag champ through an announce table. But The Champ wasn't finished, as he and a handful of Raw Superstars tussled with The Nexus backstage later that evening. Cena saw fit to smash Gabriel's head into the passenger window of a car! It's great seeing The Nexus get their due, but why did The Champ wait so long to fight back? **11/29 Raw**



• Kaitlyn & Naomi

12/7 Nutter Center Dayton, OH

- Johnny Curtis & Jacob Novak
- Conor O'Brian & Alberto Del Rio & Derrick Bateman & Daniel Bryan



11/18

- Chavo Guerrero & JTG
- Trent Barreta & Curt Hawkins
- Yoshi Tatsu & Primo
- Melina & Gail Kim & Alicia Fox & Maryse

11/25

- Mark Henry & The Usos
- Santino Marella & Vladimir Kozlov & Zack Ryder & Primo

- Curt Hawkins & Trent Barreta

12/2

- Tyler Reks & Trent Barreta
- William Regal & Darren Young
- David Hart Smith & Tyson Kidd

12/9

- Tyler Reks & JTG

- Trent Barreta & Curt Hawkins
- Ezekiel Jackson & Zack Ryder
- Eve & Alicia Fox

Biggest Winner!

Kaitlyn Wins *WWE NXT* Season Three

Plucked from obscurity to compete on *WWE NXT* just days before the premiere of season three, Kaitlyn was the early underdog against a far more experienced crop of would-be Divas. But she learned the ropes in a hurry, setting herself apart from her fellow Rookies and earning the admiration of the *WWE* Universe. Well done! **11/30 *WWE NXT***



TIME LINE

Mr. Bryan's Wild Ride

The American Dragon's a Pro on *WWE NXT* Season Four—quite a feat for the former "Rookie." Here's a look at Bryan's roller coaster 2010.

Feb. 23

May 10

May 11

June 7-13

Aug. 15

Sept. 19

Nov. 30

Highs

Lows



* Bryan debuts as a contestant on *WWE NXT*, clashing with his Pro, The Miz.

* The previously winless Bryan scores his first victory on *Raw*, against Santino.

* Bryan is eliminated from *WWE NXT*, despite receiving high marks from *WWE* Pros.

* Bryan briefly joins (and is then exiled from) The Nexus when the group attacks *Raw*.

* Bryan is the surprise member of Team *WWE* at *SummerSlam*.

* Bryan forces The Miz to tap out, and wins the U.S. Title at *Night Of Champions*.

* Bryan is named as a Pro for *WWE NXT* Season Four, mentoring Derrick Bateman.

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11/21 *Survivor Series* American Airlines Arena, Miami, FL

• Daniel Bryan & Ted DiBiase
• John Morrison & Sheamus
• Dolph Ziggler & Kaval
• Team Mystro & Team Alberto Del Rio in a Traditional *Survivor Series* Elimination Match

• Natalya & Lay-Cool to become the new Divas Champion
• Kane vs. Edge ended in a draw (Kane retains)
• Justin Gabriel & Heath Slater & Santino Marella & Vladimir Kozlov
• Randy Orton & Wade Barrett (John Cena special guest referee)

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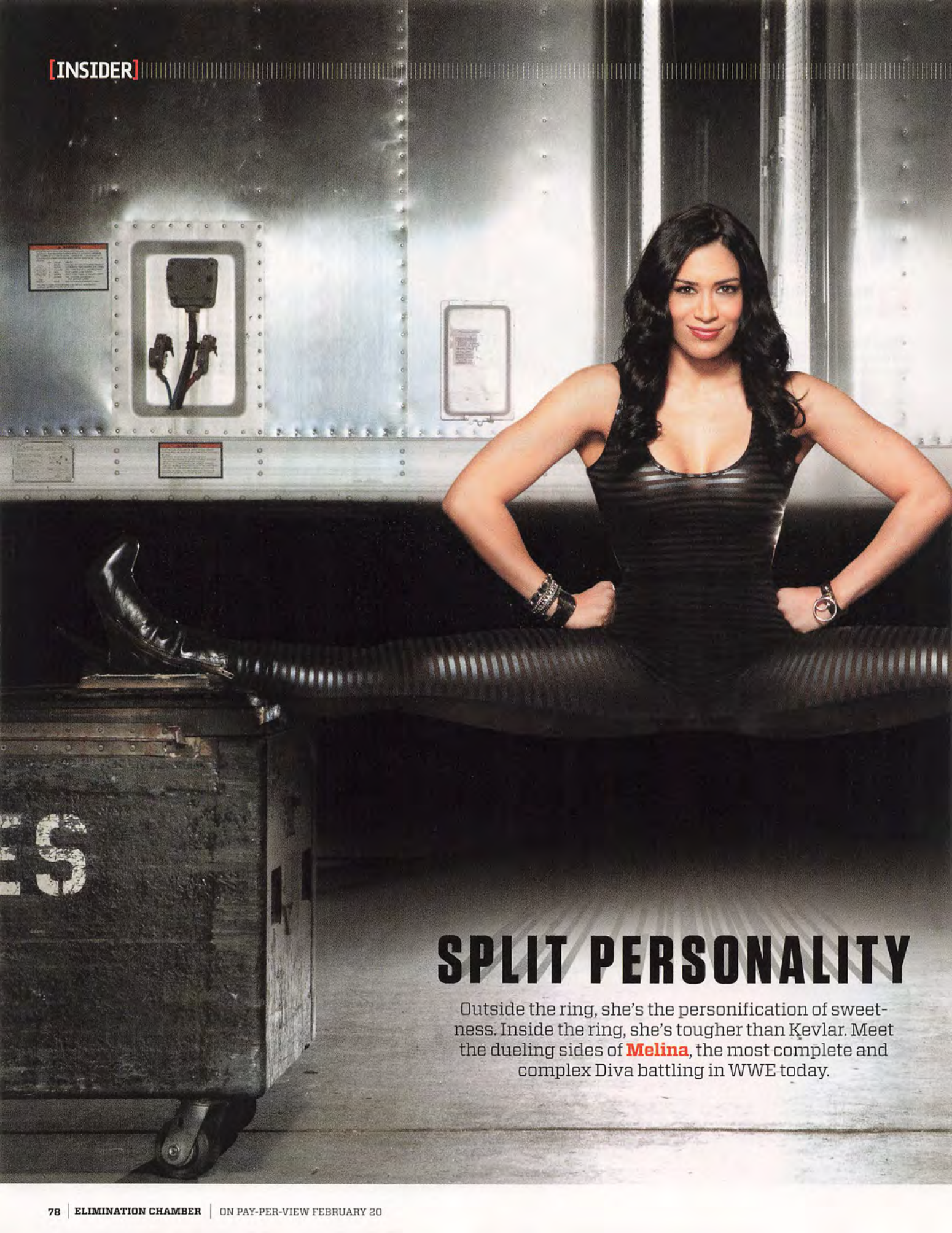
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Outside the ring, she's the personification of sweetness. Inside the ring, she's tougher than Kevlar. Meet the dueling sides of **Melina**, the most complete and complex Diva battling in WWE today.

✖ After seven months, you're fully recovered from ACL surgery and back in action. What did you do with all that free time outside of the ring?

You mean, aside from hitting the gym every day, twice a day, rehabbing my knee? I spent a lot of time with my family, going to BBQs and dinners. I redecorated the house, too! But the newest hobby I took up, which I'm ashamed to admit, was Tweeting. I can't believe I started, because I've always said how lame it is, and swore I'd never do it. But now I have a Twitter page: @RealMelina. I fell in love with being online.

Our eyes missed you big time. Our ears, not so much. Honestly, what's up with all the high-pitched screaming?

I can't help myself! It's not something I consciously do, either. It's just that, whenever I fight or get aggressive, I make noise. That ear-piercing, screaming noise. Everyone comments on it backstage, too. But the Divas love it, and it's not something I'm

going to change now. I've always screamed. Back when I managed MNM, you could hear me in every match, but that was my way of cheering. I get it from my mom. She would scream and cheer for my brother at baseball games, and it's just something we both do. It's a distinguishing Melina trait.

Where would you rank yourself on the all-time list of Divas?

Oh, wow. Really, it's not my place to rank myself. There are women in WWE history I can't even hold a candle to, greats such as The Fabulous Moolah and Trish Stratus. To even be ranked, though, would be an honor, because at the end of the day, no, I'm not as strong as Chyna or as agile as many of the other Divas who can flip in the ring, but I never had any training before I came to WWE. No background in dance, no gymnastics. I just saw certain moves and tried them. For as many people who said I'd never amount to anything, I'm proud of myself to have gone as far as I have.

Bret Hart specifically named you as one of today's best in-ring performers. Did you have any idea that The Excellence of Execution holds you in such high esteem?

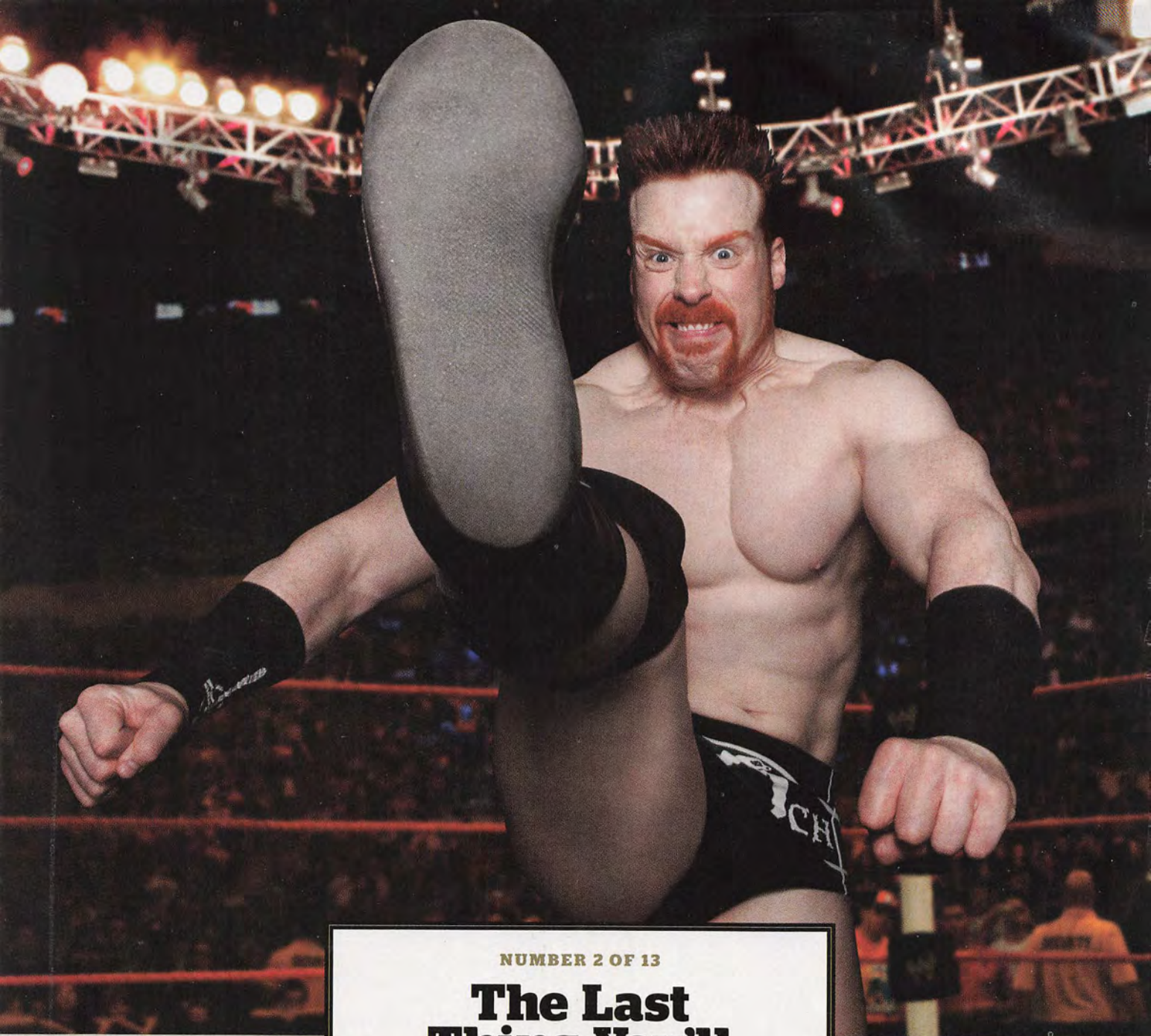
Absolutely not! It was a huge honor to receive such a compliment, but it also adds a lot of pressure to live up to that expectation. At first, I couldn't believe Bret Hart even mentioned my name. I was like, "No, it must have been a mistake. He meant someone else." But it meant the world to me to learn that somebody sees something in me. Every time I step in the ring, whether on *Raw* or at a live event, I try so hard to give it my all, because I don't want to let Bret down. I don't want him to see me make a mistake and think, "Oh, I wish I never backed her."

You've been successful in WWE since your arrival in 2005. Even so, if you could go back in time, what advice would you give yourself as you embarked on your career?

I'd tell that version of me not to be so hard on myself. Not to take it so seriously. Don't get me wrong, though. I take my job *extremely* seriously, as everyone should, but I wish I had relaxed more. I missed out on enjoying a lot of great moments in my career because I was busy beating myself up, when I should've been thinking, "Wow, I did this!" I don't take anything for granted these days and relish moments a whole lot more.

WWE is also forging forward with Divas who are not just sexy, but smart and powerful. Which attribute describes you best?

Powerful. I've been through so much in this company. I'm the longest-lasting Diva on the roster today. This is not an easy business to be a part of, especially as a woman. People are hard on you. But I've toughed through everything emotionally and physically. And that's true strength. No, I'm not the strongest Diva in the sense of being able to lift the heaviest weights, but I am powerful in my own way. I returned from an injury, stronger than ever. And I'm still here today. I made it.



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The Last Thing You'll Ever See

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✱ Sheamus' Brogue Kick ✱

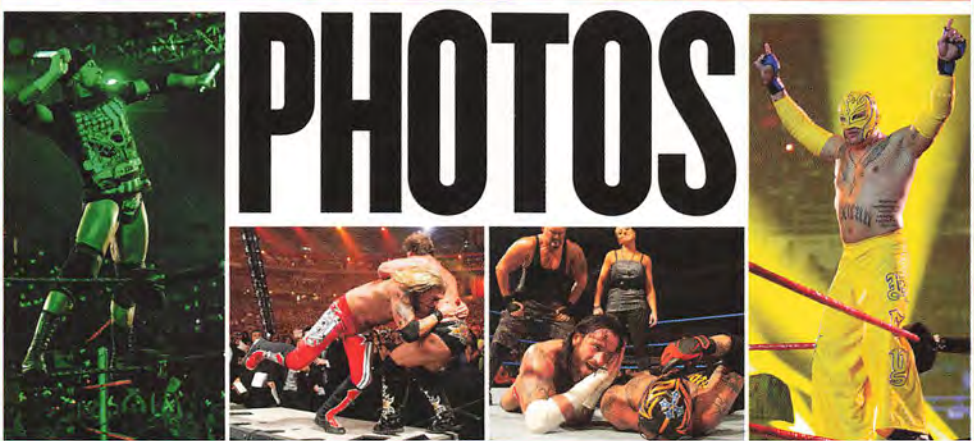
You think you have him sized up. You're certain you can anticipate his moves, see where and how he'll strike next. What you don't realize is that he has you completely fooled. While you're busy anticipating a pump-handle slam, a gorilla press or some other monstrous strength-based move, your face suddenly collides with the boot you never saw coming. For someone who's all muscle and sinew, The Celtic Warrior is surprisingly flexible, and he uses his stretching ability to his advantage. Sheamus' High Kick has felled giants ranging from Big Show to The Great Khali, and his finisher bears the distinction of being the move that sent Triple H on an extended hiatus last spring. What's the difference between Sheamus' boot and the Blarney Stone? After kissing the Blarney Stone, you're still conscious.

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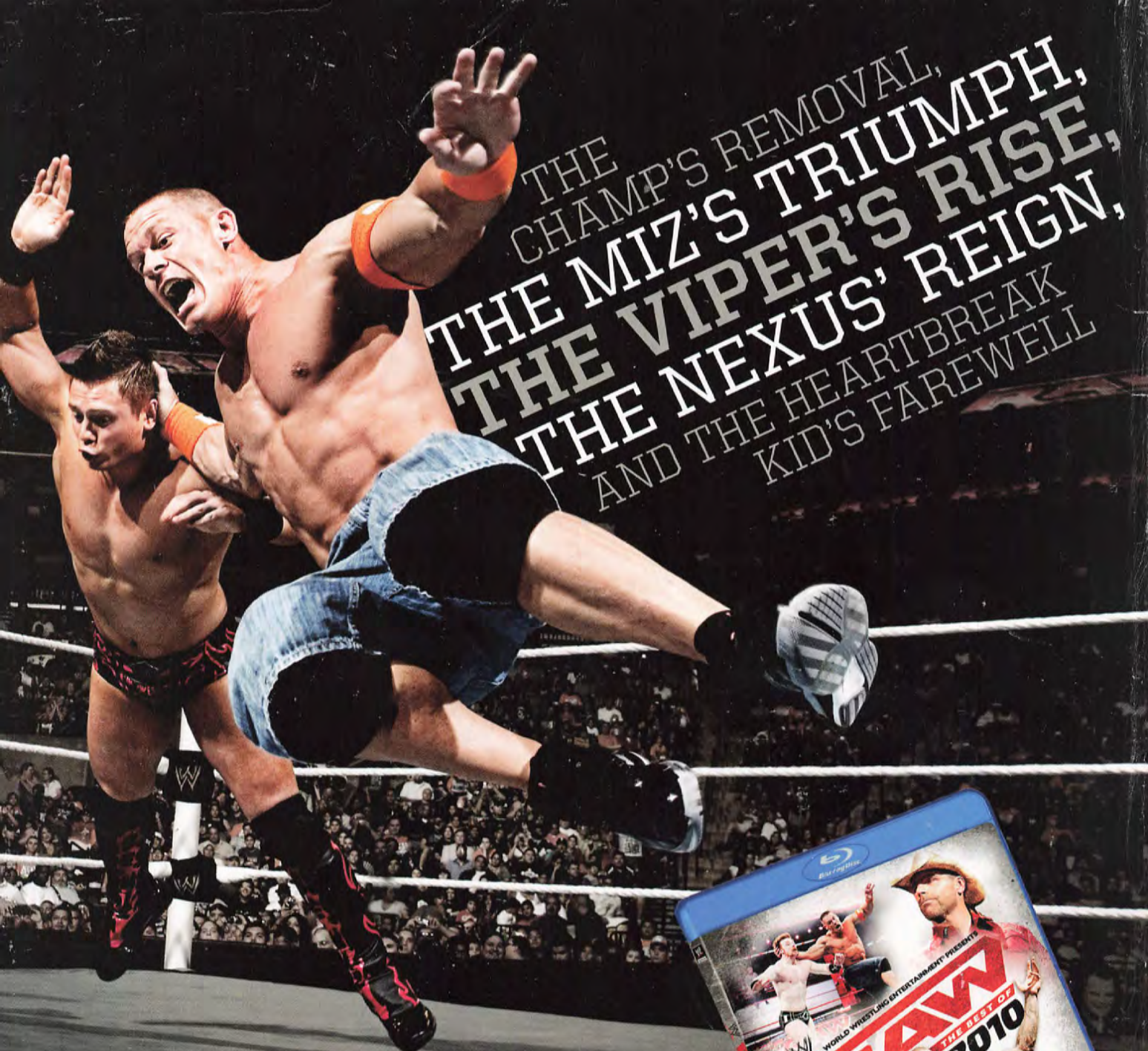


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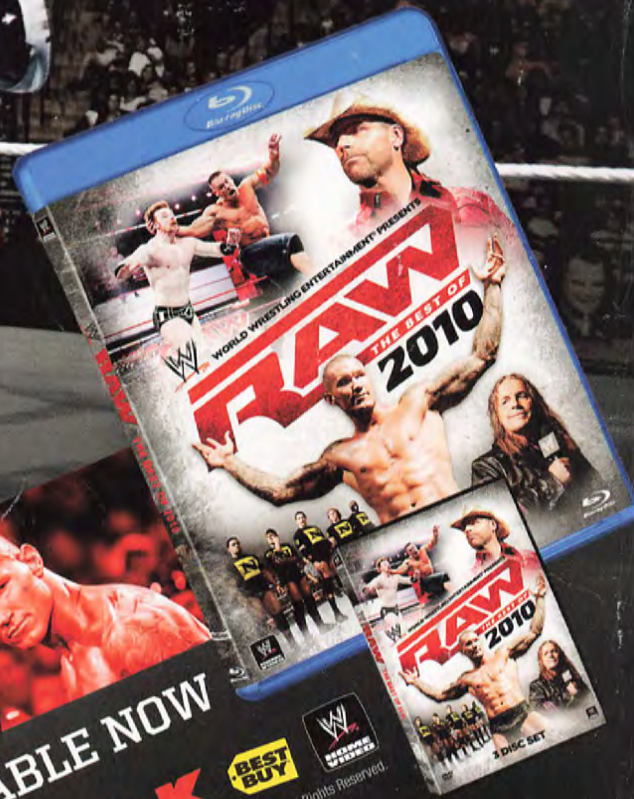


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